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David Made "Over And Above" Gift

J. E. Dillard

David was a disappointed man. He had set his heart upon building a temple for his God for years; he had made plans and assembled materials. Then the Lord told him he was not to build the temple but that his son, Solomon, was to have that honor.

David did not whine nor complain; he decided to do even more than he had planned. So he called his people together, told them what he had done and then said, "In my devotion to the temple of my God, as I possess a private treasure of gold and silver, I give it to the temple of my God over and above what I have prepared for the sacred temple" (I Chron. 29:3, Moffatt). David then asked, "Now who will make a free will offering today?" The people responded gladly, generously, gloriously. The result was sufficient funds and great rejoicing, David himself being the happiest of all.

The regular gifts of Southern Baptists are not sufficient to meet our postwar needs. We are asked to make an "over and above" offering for this purpose on April 15, or nearest convenient Sunday, certainly not later than May 6 which is Centennial Convention Sunday. We ought to realize

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Southern Baptist Churches Petition Religious Liberty

Washington, D. C.—(RNS)—Southern Baptist churches are circulating petitions among their membership asking that religious liberty for all peoples be written into any international constitution adopted at the United Nations Security Conference in San Francisco.

Dr. Rufus W. Weaver, chairman of the Baptist committee on public relations, asked that the petitions be circulated, after such a recommendation was made by U. S. Senator Walter F. George, Georgia Democrat, on the Southern Baptist radio hour March 4.

Copy for a suggested petition is being carried generally by the Baptist press and sent by direct mail to pastors of the convention. It is suggested that the petitions be signed in the church services, and that copies then be scattered throughout the communities for signatures during the week. The signed petitions will then be collected by the Southern Baptist Radio Committee, Atlanta, Ga., and transmitted to authorities in San Francisco.

The suggested petition reads:
TO THE UNITED NATIONS IN CONFERENCE—GREETINGS:
WHEREAS, You meet in conference

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Dr. Scarborough Called Home

Dr. L. R. Scarborough, president of the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, twenty-eight years previous to retiring in 1942, former president of the Southern Baptist Convention and the Baptist General Convention of Texas, leader of the Southern Baptist Seventy-five Million Dollar Campaign, 1919, member of the Executive Committee of the Baptist World Alliance, outstanding and distinguished Christian leader of America passed to his heavenly reward from a hospital in Amarillo, Texas, April 10, at the age of seventy-four. The funeral service was conducted in the chapel of the Seminary with Dr. E. D. Head, who succeeded as president of the Seminary, in charge. He was assisted by Dr. Jeff D. Ray, for many years a faculty associate. The body was laid to rest in the Rose Hill Burial Park, Fort Worth, Texas.

A Great Leader

"The Douglas MacArthur of the Baptists," was the tribute Honorable I. N. McCrary, mayor of Fort Worth, Texas, paid Dr. Scarborough, at an appreciation dinner tendered by Mary Hardin-Baylor College on March 5, 1942, in honor of this distinguished religious leader. Dr. H. E. Dana in his book on the life of Dr. Scarborough called him, "the denominational statesman." Dr. J. F. Love, who for many years executive secretary of the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, said, "The leadership of this man will for generations be an inspiration to Baptist



L. R. SCARBOROUGH

preachers of high and holy ambition and purpose, and his self-devotion will be a rebuke to all of us who cultivate self-ease at the expense of Christ's cause." While pastor of the First Baptist Church, Abilene, Texas, he led in many money raising campaigns for Hardin Simmons University (then Simmons College). He was president of the great Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary of Fort Worth, Texas, November 1914 to August, 1942—nearly twenty-eight years. In addition to his heavy responsibilities as an executive he was called upon to lead in the great movements

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Protestant Editors Seek Church Proposals At San Francisco Conference

(Editor Goodrich has just returned from this meeting.)

Philadelphia—(RNS)—The Associated Church Press, meeting here, launched a move to have church proposals for world order influence the forthcoming San Francisco United Nations Conference.

Asserting the accomplishments of the conference will be "of basic concern to the religious forces of America, Canada, and the entire world," the Protestant editors urged:

1. There should be no postponement of the San Francisco Conference.
2. American and Canadian delegates should seek improvement in the Dumbarton Oaks proposals along the lines of the specific suggestions made by the recent Cleveland Church Study Conference on a Just and Durable Peace.
3. American delegates should exert all possible influence to protect the United States from lapsing into a position of isolationism after the war.
4. Protestants of the United States and Canada should support the delegates and their governments in

the adoption of a charter that will bring the United States and Canada into active brotherly cooperation with the other nations of the world.

The delegates also adopted a separate resolution memorializing the United States delegation to the San Francisco Conference to advocate creation of a commission on human rights having as one of its objectives freedom of the press. It was proposed that international agreements be drawn up to guarantee a world free press.

"Freedom of the press is vital to religious and racial freedom and tolerance in that potentially it offers equal voice to all faiths and races," the resolution stated.

"The freedom of free and untrammeled access to news and the freedom to transmit it are conducive to a better understanding among the people of the world and hence a contributing factor to a just and lasting peace."

"Freedom of the press ultimately offers the most potent weapon against

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Dr. Dawson Will Attend San Francisco Conference

By unanimous request of members of the World Peace Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention and with the approval of the Executive Committee, Dr. J. M. Dawson, pastor of First church, Waco, Texas, and chairman of the World Peace Committee, is going to San Francisco as an unofficial observer of the United Nations Conference on World Security. He will also preach in the First church, San Francisco, on "Religious Liberty."

Meanwhile, it was learned in Washington that a number of religious organizations plan to send observers to the conference.

Miss Catherine Schaefer, assistant executive secretary of the Catholic Association for International Peace, with offices in the National Catholic Welfare Conference building here will attend the conference, leaving Washington on April 20, she disclosed.

Father E. A. Conway, S. J., of the Social Action Department of NCWC, will attend the sessions on behalf of the NCWC News Service, it was learned here.

Dr. T. Otto Nall of Chicago will represent Religious News Service at the conference.

Dr. Walter W. Van Kirk, of New York, is expected to attend the conference as a representative of the Federal Council of Churches, according to information here.

Dr. Raymond Wilson, Washington legislative representative of the Society of Friends will attend the meeting on behalf of the American Friends Service Committee and the Friends

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Sees Protestantism Firmly Established In Latin America

(By Religious News Service)

New York—Protestantism in Latin America has established itself firmly enough in the life of the people to make gains despite continued Roman Catholic opposition. Dr. Charles T. Leber, secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., declared in an interview here.

Dr. Leber has just returned from a three-months tour of Latin American countries, including Mexico, Guatemala, the Canal Zone, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, Bolivia, Chile, Argentina, Brazil, Trinidad and Venezuela.

He said tension between Roman Catholic and Protestant churches is still the "major issue" in Latin America, and that the "progress and rise of Protestantism is tightening this tension."

However, he said, "public opinion is rising in an expression of what Protestantism is meaning to the life of Latin America. Protestant rights are being recognized as the result of this public opinion."

Sparks & Splinters-

According to Pastor J. E. Eubanks Second church, Greenville, has had nine additions the first three Sundays in April. Barney Walker will lead their revival beginning April 22.

We are glad to report that the Sunday school rooms of the O'Tuckelofa Baptist Church, Yalobusha county, are completed and paid for. They are practically the same as they were before the tornado destroyed them on March 16, 1942.—The building committee.

Offerings at the First church, Lexington, for the first quarter of 1945 were \$2,047.54. Offering for the month of March was \$737.28. These offerings are the highest in our history.—Homer W. Roberson, pastor.

The Marshall County Associational B. T. U. met with Carey Chapel church on the afternoon of April 8. The regular meeting was combined with a mass meeting for the Centennial Crusade. Members of the Training Unions of Holly Springs, Slaydon and Carey Chapel presented an inspirational program. The closing message was given by Rev. Howard Aultman, pastor of Holly Springs church.—Zollie B. Puryear, secretary.

Goss: We opened our Sunday school library on April 8 with 35 books. We are using a class room at present. Later we hope to furnish a place for the library. We appreciate the gift of 12 books from the Sunday School Board.—Madie Horton, librarian.

During the two weeks revival at Southside Baptist Church, Jacksonville, Fla., in which Evangelist Hyman Appelman did the preaching there were 120 additions. Dr. W. Herschell Ford is the pastor.

J. T. Summers, who resigned as pastor of Woodlawn church, Little Rock, Arkansas, effective May 1. He expects to go into the evangelistic field.

On April 1 there were 29 of the 33 deacons of Main Street church, Hattiesburg, present at the morning worship service. For the deacons' meeting on Monday evening there were 28 present.

Mississippians will be interested in an article in the March issue of the Commission entitled "Other Evangelicals Serve Argentina." The author is William Lowrey Cooper, Argentina missionary and now on furlough. His father is Rev. W. R. Cooper, pastor at Tylertown.

Chaplain Roy Autry, 14th Regt., Camp Howze, Texas, says: "I am the only chaplain with more than 3,600 men. Lately, I have tried to care for other units without chaplains numbering 7,000." A month later he writes: "Thirteen of our chaplains have been assigned overseas duty. I am having to serve as only chaplain in three regiments." (Approximately 10,000 men.)

Springhill, Tallahatchie county, will celebrate its one hundredth anniversary the fifth Sunday in July. All former pastors are asked to contact Rev. O. B. Robertson, Clinton, Miss., stating if they can attend this program and take part in it.

We appreciate a list of subscribers from New Prospect church, Mt. Pisgah Association, Newton county. The list includes more than 50% of the resident families. The list was sent by J. L. Owens.

January to July the Navy Department requests Southern Baptists to supply ninety additional chaplains and army one hundred sixty-four. We have endorsed thirty-four to navy and sixty-three to army, fifty-six are needed by navy by July 1 and one hundred and one for the army.—Alfred Carpenter, superintendent of camp work.

There was an error in my write-up for our Bulletin of March 18 relative to the "beer train" which you used in The Baptist Record on March 22 (p. 5) and again this past week (p. 1). That information was based on the orders given. Another check on this I find that the orders were changed, and what actually happened was that two trains carried a sum total of 97 carloads of beer instead of the one 60-carload train. Moreover these trains passed through many counties of our state other than Scott county (Hinds—and our capital—inclusive). We appreciate your stand on the question throughout the issues of The Baptist Record.—W. L. Holcomb, Forest.

The sale of "The Trail of Blood or a History of Baptist Churches from the Time of Christ" has been amazing. Pastor Clarence Walker states that the first edition of 50,000 copies has been exhausted and that another edition of 100,000 copies has been ordered. The book sells for 25c and should be ordered from Pastor Walker at 808 Aurora Avenue, Lexington 21, Kentucky.

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RUSSIANS SAID TO ALLOW RELIGIOUS FREEDOM IN HUNGARY, BUT FAVOR PROTESTANTS IN POLITICAL POSTS

London—(By Wireless to RNS)—Russian occupation authorities in Hungary have made no attempt to interfere with religious affairs, according to Count Michel Karolyi, head of the Hungarian Council in Great Britain, composed of representatives of various anti-Fascist groups.

"There is absolute freedom for all religious faiths," the one-time president of Hungary said in an interview. He added that the clergy "have shown themselves both realistic and public-spirited in their participation in setting up the provisional government, and there is every hope they will lead the way in supporting rehabilitation programs despite far-reaching changes which will have to be made in the political economy of the country."

Discussing problems of agrarian reform, Count Karolyi said the only religious group likely to be greatly affected by plans for large-scale land redistribution is the Roman Catholic Church, several of whose dioceses are endowed with large estates. In such cases and others, he said, where the income from land holdings support welfare institutions or schools, some equitable settlement will have to be made.

Other spokesmen for the council here disclosed that the presidium of the Hungarian provisional government includes Julasz Nagy, outstanding Protestant layman, and that nearly all the newly formed inter-party committees taking over local government in the wake of advancing Russian armies include one or more clergymen. The fact, however, that a large proportion of these clergymen are Protestant is regarded in some quarters as evidence that Russian authorities "are somewhat less favorably disposed toward Roman Catholics."

HISTORICAL SKETCH OF THE LIFE OF THE LATE C. I. BRUMFIELD, WALTHALL EDUCATOR AND RELIGIOUS LEADER By a Niece and Nephew, Thelma and Harold Ball

If it were possible for Mr. Brumfield to speak to his innumerable friends, we are sure that from the depths of his unconquerable soul, he would say:

"Death, I'm not afraid of you.
You cannot carry me away into nothingness;
For I have seen a worm turn into a butterfly.
And when you think you have conquered me,
By breaking my body in two;
You will find that you have made only a door.
For the hand of God to reach through."

Such would have been the words of the God-loving one whose broken body, when it no longer could hold its unconquerable spirit, surrendered its immortal soul on August 2, 1944.

"It is all right," among the last words uttered by him, signify the kind of life he lived—one always above reproach and one which, even now, stands as a beacon light for the many who were guided by his teachings.

Mr. Brumfield was born on July 27, 1872, six miles north of Tylertown, Mississippi, and, with the exception of a few years that he was in college and in other counties teaching, he lived in Walthall county where he gave his life for others.

In 1897, he was married to Miss Frances Louise Sandifer (also a native of Walthall county) who lives in Tylertown, Mississippi. To this union were born two sons, James K., Amite, Louisiana; Paul Sandifer, who passed away at the age of thirteen months, in 1917, and one daughter, Mrs. Eugenia Frank, Tylertown, Mississippi.

Mr. Brumfield received his college education at the University of Mississippi and Mississippi College. With a mind richly stored and disciplined to almost perfect precision, he entered the field of education. For years he served in some phase of school work, acting as a class room teacher, principal, superintendent of city schools, and superintendent of schools in Walthall county, in which capacity he served for many years. The last years of his life were devoted to welfare work, Walthall county.

He went to his classes fully prepared, not only to teach mathematics, history, English, etc., but to teach the greatest subjects of all, and the ones often neglected by teachers—namely, boys and girls. He not only mastered the subjects that he taught, but he clothed them with life and interest, always imparting vivacity and reality to his lectures. He made them glow with hope and aspiration. His pupils were always stimulated, and they always benefited from the study made by their master. Talking with his pupils and leading them were his greatest joy. The proof of the influence that he had over them is found in the noble lives that many of them are living and from the letters that they wrote to him from time to time. "The good men do lives after them."

Not only was he active in the field of education, but he was always active in the church. Mr. Brumfield lived the words of the apostle Paul, "For me to live is Christ" (Philippians 4:13). He became a member of the Baptist church when he was twenty-one years of age; and from that time on, he lived an abundantly rich life. For many years he served on the Board of Deacons and taught the Ladies' Bible class in the Tylertown Baptist Church.

He read the Bible daily and believed it to be the source of revelation, the revelation of the meaning of life, the nature of God, and the spiritual nature

AM I A GROWING CHRISTIAN?

"Am I a growing Christian?" It is not enough to say "I hope I am," or "I wish I were." The way to a satisfactory answer to this important question is through an accurate and honest examination of the points at which one is growing or failing to grow.

Dr. G. S. Dobbins, in his fine little book, "Deepening the Spiritual Life," gives the following simple test. I suggest that you thoughtfully study the test and grade yourself, allowing 10 points for each item in the test:

1. Am I maintaining reasonably good health?
2. Am I becoming more efficient in my work?
3. Am I keeping up the study of some worth-while subject?
4. Am I regularly reading good books and magazines?
5. Am I making new acquaintances and friends?
6. Am I engaged in some specific Christian services?
7. Am I devoting time each day to Bible reading and prayer?
8. Am I a faithful attendant at the services of my church?
9. Am I a conscientious steward of my time, talents and money?
10. Am I definitely seeking to win others to Christ?

How about grading yourself on these 10 points? Life is made for growth. Unless you are growing, life ceases to have meaning. Every aspect of life finds its fulfillment in growth, and when growth fails, life fails.

All growth is accompanied by struggle. Every living thing has enemies, and growth is achieved in the midst of continuous struggle, to overcome unnumbered hindrances.

Jesus Christ is the pattern for the Christian's growth. We are to grow "unto a full grown man, unto the measure of the fullness of Christ." We become like Him as we intelligently, unreservedly and continuously surrender ourselves to Him. Thus does the Spirit of God have His opportunity to operate in our minds and spirits and cause growth.

"Grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ."—Lee Nichols, in *The Arkansas Baptist*.

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J. S. Deal of Silver City will assist in the revival beginning the fifth Sunday in July at Springhill church, in Tallahatchie county. O. B. Robertson of Clinton is the pastor.

and need of men. He felt that it is the only guide of life which really leads the spirit in the way of peace and salvation. His untiring work in the church and his excellent talks in Sunday school were a definite part of his life. The Christian life he led would be hard to emulate even by strong characters.

He, like his father, Jesse K. Brumfield, like his grandfather, Isaac Brumfield, like his great grandfather, John Brumfield, was a pioneer, just as definitely as they were. He tried hard to live for God and man. No one would deny that he succeeded with both. He tried to enrich the world in which he lived with better people and better things.

The family has lost a devoted husband, father, brother, uncle, and grandfather; Tylertown has lost a respected citizen; Walthall county, a spiritual leader and influence; Mississippi, a builder of men; the church, a pillar—but God has gained a tried and faithful worker and has taken him to his crown of glory and his just reward.

The lives he touched are building his monument every day.

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Mississippi Baptists---Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails," 1. Cor. 13:8b

"When Jesus saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion on them," Matthew 9:35-36.

... We Are Workers Together ... II Cor. 6:1

"Is it nothing to you?" Lamentations 1:12. Dark days had come upon Judah! Read the entire book of Lamentations and see what sin does to a great people. A people made to be triumphant are now in bondage! God loves these people whom He is chastening! Hebrews 12:5-15.

We have young people in our schools and colleges crying out for leadership. We have heard them recently as we have heard them all along. We can help provide that leadership through B. S. U.—a State Missions department. "Is it nothing to you?"

We have one million Negroes in our state, many of them hungry for mental and spiritual development. We know this, for they write us and come, asking for teaching and training help. We may help them through State Missions. Acts 1:8. "Is it nothing to you?"

We have millions living and dying over the world without ever hearing the name of Jesus pronounced. We can get the Gospel to them through Foreign Missions. Mark 16:15. "Is it nothing to you?"

Cuba, Panama and other areas need Christ. Home Missions serve here! Philip went into Samaria. Acts 8:5-25. Will we go into our Samaria? "Is it nothing to you?"

Our Seminaries are crowded, some are turned away, others are coming. "Teaching them ..." Matthew 28:18-20. "Is it nothing to you?"

All of these and more are involved in the special Centennial Crusade offering to be taken any time April-June. It is to meet postwar needs at home and around the world. Church buildings will be erected, crowding youth will come, the races wait, our people need evangelism, training, teaching and relief. Give! Have a part! "Is it nothing to you?"

The request of J. B. Ray for a transfer to city mission work and favorable action by the Executive Committee probably closes out the enlistment pastor work. It came in when there were few associational men. It served a good cause. Now the rapid growth of associational personnel diminishes the need for the district men. Brethren Greene and Ray were the only ones selected "straight out" as enlistment pastors. Dr. Greene has gone to Clarke Memorial College. Brother Ray goes to Hattiesburg May 1. Brother Estes was already an evangelist. Brother Hilburn is in special work as is Brother Kyzar. The three last named continue their work, of course. We feel the Lord led in this entire matter.

II

In Proverbs 10:18 we read, "He that hideth hatred with lying lips, and he that uttereth slander, is a fool." One sin is usually followed by two! In Proverbs 23:20-35, "drunkenness, gluttony, immorality, and a stubborn will" are treated together! In the Scripture quoted above, hatred and lying are lined together. We have noted it is true with either the preacher or layman who hates—it is frequently accompanied by lying. God's word says such man is a fool! Hatred—lying—slander—all are traits of a fool, Proverbs 10:18. Slander is the false, intended to injure another! The Bible admonition we teach our children is "Be ye kind." Ephesians 4:32. I Corinthians 13:4.

III

Back in January our office helpers were literally flooded with work. Money and correspondence submerged them. There was no nervousness, no impatience. They said, "We are a little behind with our work but we can do it." They worked long and hard. They did it and are now up with the work.

The first week of this month the truck which hauls The Baptist Record broke down, delaying delivery of the paper for almost a day. Helpers pride themselves upon getting the paper out on time. The mailing department is an orderly department. Part-time helpers held themselves in readiness. The papers are usually here by daylight Wednesday. When they arrived the middle of the afternoon the department was ready for them.

We are happy the Lord led us to such ready helpers in His service. We delight in naming them as "workers together."

The first meeting of the Baptist Building Committee has been held. Members are John D. Davis, H. L. Martin, Fred B. Booker, Leon Macon and James L. Sullivan. Mr. Davis consented to serve only upon our insistence that the president of the Board should be on the committee. Mr. Overstreet, architect, was present. There was the joyful attitude of the true Christian, also a deep seriousness throughout. Needs of departments were heard. Plans were discussed. Every vote was unanimous and hearty! God Almighty blesses that spirit! It is one thing to preach on unity! It is another to put it into practice! Pentecost preaches unity of believers! Acts 2.

When we first came into the work, almost every meeting of the Executive Committee was a nightmare. We had seen many conventions like that! "Men talk of love, and live in hate!" Some men in such spirit "kidded themselves" into believing this was the will of God.

We have just had another meeting of the Executive Committee. It was in purpose and spirit all a spiritual pastor might wish for a spiritual church in a spiritual hour! There was no swagger, no dictatorship! There was prayer, discussion, counsel, purpose and unanimity of concern and action! This sort of thing has characterized all these meetings for many months! God blesses this sort of thing!

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From a study of the New Testament, it seems that the general New Testament working organization consisted of the church with a (1) pastor, and, (2) deacons as officials, plus, (3) other workers, I Corinthians 12:28, Ephesians 4:11, and (4) denominational workers. James was probably pastor at Jerusalem, while Epaphroditus was probably pastor at Philippi. Paul was never pastor, but a denominational worker. Probably Peter was never a pastor, and he surely did denominational work. Philip did denominational work. He was

certainly an evangelist. In these things Baptists follow the New Testament.

In those days they had no denominational colleges and seminaries, though study groups were contributors to the preparation of some, i. e., Paul. Yet, despite this lack, the word of the Lord ran and was glorified and the number of disciples was multiplied. They had no commodious houses of worship, yet disciples were daily added to the Lord. They had no modern methods of transportation and communication, yet the word was preached and people were saved. They had no denominational paper, yet testimony was given of the work of Christ and believers were "the more added unto the Lord." Surely with almost 2,000 years of Christian background, and with multiplying instruments of helpfulness today we should tell and win multitudes for Jesus' sake! If we had His compassion we would!

When we say, as we do say frequently, "The pastors and churches will do the work of Christ if it is done," we are not excluding any obedient follower of Christ. We are not setting local church workers apart from denominational workers. The work of the denomination is of the churches and is toward the churches. In the Convention Board offices the office secretary is an excellent Sunday school teacher of a large class in her local church. The office stenographer is the very fine wife and helper of one of our splendid young pastors as he leads two half time churches. Our bookkeeper is very proud of and loyal to her church. Another office helper is B. T. U. director of one of the large Training Unions of Mississippi. We think of one of our field workers who is a leading soul winner. We might go on enumerating and extolling them as products of the hand and heart of our Lord Jesus. "We are workers together." II Corinthians 6:1. Paul, a "field worker" wrote that to a local church. So it is—"We are workers together."

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The Mississippi Baptist Evangelistic Conference, by general acclaim, has been our outstanding annual meeting. We are happy to present an unexcelled spiritual menu for February 25-28, 1946. We have the written acceptance of Drs. C. Oscar Johnson, St. Louis; Robert G. Lee, Memphis, and Wallace Bassett, Dallas. We list them in the order that their acceptances were received at this office. This is but another blessing from the hands of God. Doxology!

State Missions Wins Again

Enlistment Pastor E. D. Estes was in a late winter revival with Pastor R. L. Harville and the Pittsboro saints. More visible results: six additions, four for baptism. He was also with Pastor L. F. Haire and the saints at Poplar Springs, during a muddy and late winter season, but six came for baptism, and the pastor administered the ordinance Saturday. An offering for state missions consisting of a few hundred dollars was sent in by Brother Estes.

Mississippi Baptist churches have been dedicating houses of worship almost weekly for a good many months. We have been privileged to have some humble part in a great many of these dedicatory services. We regret conflicting engagements prevented us from attending many more. Surely the heart of our Saviour must be happy at the evidence of interest and progress in many places. We have been privileged again and again to go to the small rural church—it is GREAT IN HIS SIGHT. We have been privileged to have part in the dedicatory exercises of our largest churches in Mississippi, including the First Baptist Church, Jackson. Many others were in between these as to size. Again, all are great in His Name.

"I love Thy kingdom Lord, The house of Thine abode,

The church our blest Redeemer saved, With His own precious blood."

Pastor C. W. Thompson, Aberdeen, writes that he had a good day with the saints at Aberdeen the previous Sunday, having baptized eight.

The Executive Committee, in April session, expressed interest in various phases of our work and gave financial support to some fields as conditions permitted. Upon request, Rev. J. B. Ray, enlistment pastor, was transferred to city mission work at Hattiesburg.

The committee voted in line with Southern Baptist Convention plans to use Mississippi Baptist offering in meeting post-war needs as far as possible. It is pointed out that many churches will need to be built, an enlarged B. S. U. program will be needed, a greatly expanding Negro work should be done, etc. A motion was passed looking toward ultimately adjusting the Baptist building site area. Members present were: John D. Davis, George H. Gay, J. D. Ray, R. D. Pearson, G. C. Hodge, James L. Sullivan, W. A. Hewitt and James B. Parker.

SOME THINGS I CAN'T UNDERSTAND ABOUT SOME PEOPLE

Why they become slaves, when they could become happy, useful, independent workers.

Why they exist on a low limb, when they could enjoy the abundant life on a high limb.

Why they seem to be satisfied with the crumbs, when they could have a good seat at the table.

Why they trudge the muddy road, when they could enjoy the trip on a paved highway.

Why they go with the sown of society, when good people are close by.

Why they fish in a filthy slough, when the big, fresh lake is in sight.

Why they pay money for harmful drinks, when pure, refreshing, cold water is free.

Why they make a discord, when they could strike the right note.

Why they are unhappy, disloyal shirkers, when they could be happy.

Why they spend their money foolishly, when they know a rainy day is sure to come.

Why they stumble in the darkness, when they could walk more easily in the light.

Why they hurt themselves with harmful words, when helpful words are plentiful.

Why they lose their temper, when they know it's best to hold it.

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ANOTHER GIANT IS GONE

In the recent death of Dr. L. R. Scarborough, Southern Baptists have lost a giant indeed. He could do many things and do them well.

The Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary is largely a monument to his unceasing labors. Few are the sections in the South where he did not hold a revival meeting. He was connected with many money-raising campaigns. Fourteen books flowed from his pen.

We knew him for many years. From the first we were impressed with his sincerity and his evangelistic fervor. We never recall him at ease. He was always busy.

To hear him pray was a near Pentecostal experience. He prayed as if he meant it. There was nothing lukewarm about his prayer.

Thousands throughout the world feel a real loss in his going.

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PROTESTS PAY

It seems that the protests by Baptist papers and individuals concerning the alleged favoritism shown Catholics is bearing some fruit.

Our readers will recall that The Baptist Record has opposed editorially and otherwise what seemed unjust treatment of Southern Baptist missionaries destined for South America and the opposite kind of treatment for Catholics.

They will also recall the unfair and uncivil retort of Secretary of State Stettinius to the request of Dr. Louie D. Newton concerning the status of Honorable Myron C. Taylor and the Vatican.

Recent information is that passports for missionaries are not held up as in former days.

As evidence of an apparent change of heart in the State Department, we give below a recent Religious News Service news release:

Washington, D. C.—A special directive to treat all religious denominations exactly alike and not single out any one for "special treatment" has been issued by the Department of State to all government informational agencies dealing with international problems, particularly those handling Latin-American affairs.

This was revealed here by Archbishop Macleish, assistant secretary of state, in a nationwide radio program with officials of the department.

Mr. Macleish, referring to charges that the Department of State had played favorites in Latin America especially, declared that the "strict policy of non-intervention was put down in black and white last week" in a directive to informational agencies. This directive read: "The policy of the United States government in the dissemination of information abroad, where questions of religion are involved, is determined by the United States Constitutional guarantee of freedom of worship. All denominations will be treated alike, and no denomination will be singled out for special treatment."

Nelson A. Rockefeller, another assistant secretary of state on the same program declared:

"We follow a strict policy of non-intervention in religious matters. We have been attacked for not having enough Catholics in our missions to Latin America as well as for having too many."

"We just pick the best man for the job. Freedom of religion is one of the Four Freedoms and we adhere to it straight down the line."

Avra Warren, chief of the Office of American Republics' Affairs under Rockefeller, asserted:

"As a matter of fact, I don't think anyone has ever figured out how many officers of the Department of State who deal with our Latin American countries are Catholics and how many are Protestants. There are, of course, some countries where attitudes toward religion are extremely conservative and where there have been objections to some aspects of Protestant and evangelical activity, but the Department, in working out with the various other American states relationships on cultural lines, does not support either Catholic or Protestant institutions as such."

CHOIRS ARE HELPFUL

Some people have facetiously called the choir the "War Department" of the church. Others have used the term more seriously.

Our experience has been that the choir members have been staunch supporters of the worship services and the pastor. Music which has been selected in accordance with the messages the pastor brings and which is rendered as unto God has helped to inspire not only the preacher as he preached, but also the hearts of those who occupied the pews.

Nominal Christians have been stirred to a greater zeal and a desire to serve in their churches because of the messages in song, either by select groups or by the entire choir. Others who had never found the courage necessary to confess Christ in a public profession of their faith in Him have found that courage because of a soul-stirring gospel song.

The choir is an integral part of the church life and can help to make our regular services more spiritual. Every pastor needs a good choir to back him up with their singing each Lord's Day and with their praying at all times.

Let us express our appreciation for this faithful group. Members from this group are called upon for music at funerals, for special meetings and for revivals. Counted in this group are the choir director and organist or pianist. If you have not expressed your appreciation recently to the choir in your church you have missed an opportunity which will warm their hearts and yours.

BR UNREACHED INTERMEDIATES

Figures do not lie! When we realize that there are one million and a half (white) Intermediates in the South who are not in any Sunday school and that 200,000 of these are not Christian, the task of the Intermediate workers looms large.

Of the Intermediates who pass through that department without a knowledge of Christ eighty-five per cent go to Christless graves. There are untold possibilities for the Intermediate Departments of our Sunday schools. In every community the "fields are white unto harvest."

Realizing the challenge and the great need for enlisting the boys and girls who are at the age when parents, teachers and friends expect them to attempt to climb "fools' hill," the Intermediate workers of our Sunday School Board, under direction of Miss Mary Virginia Lee, are urging the observance of "Southwide Inter-

Selected Editorial

Each week we will publish what we consider one of the best editorials coming to our attention.—Editor.

Church Speaks For Freedom

The steady expansion of governmental authority over the individual in this country is alarming spokesmen for American churches. One of them, Dr. Paul Hutchinson of Chicago, for 20 years managing editor of the Christian Century, warns: "We are going to have a more tense situation between the church and the state after the war than before."

"The constantly growing powers of the state have to be challenged by the church in the interests of freedom."

"If we have a period of economic disturbance and uncertainty after the war, in which the state is pledged to supply 60 million jobs, we will discover that the attainment of such a goal will be possible only with the aid of some species of what we call planning."

"We all recognize the dangers of uncontrolled individualistic competition in business. Nevertheless, we have to recognize that planning, when planned by the state, involves the power of the state to control the individual, including the most minute details of his life."

"What many people do not realize is that when government plans run into difficulties, the only way government has to deal with these difficulties is to ask for more power."

"It is this process by which the state seeks to increase its power that eventually brings us to the place where all the power is controlled by the state. Then you have a totalitarian state."

"The churches of Europe woke up to this situation, but not until the totalitarian government was there. . . . I hope in this country we have the foresight to see this danger early and stand for the freedom of the individual."—Clarksdale Register.

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The Harmony church, Winston county, Rev. O. B. Renick, pastor, is on the Glory Roll of the Blue Mountain College Endowment Campaign.

mediate Day" on Sunday, April 29.

Among the suggestions for this day are: arrange interesting programs; reserve a section for parents of Intermediates; make the morning service evangelistic; visit prospects and absentees during the afternoon; plan for fellowship in the Training Union; use Intermediates as ushers, in the choir, or for special music at the evening service; and close with a call for dedication and consecration.

With our young people going into the service so soon after leaving the Intermediate department it behooves us to awaken from our lethargy and study our possibilities among the Intermediates and then try to enlist these Intermediates by starting one or more new classes, by increasing the enrollment, by making personal efforts to win the lost, and by working for a record attendance on INTERMEDIATE DAY.

DR. SCARBOROUGH CALLED

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of his denomination. When Texas Baptists conducted the three year campaign for their schools, beginning in 1917, with one million dollars as their goal, Dr. Truett led the first year and Dr. Scarborough led two years. During the three years more than \$800,000 was paid in cash to the Baptist schools of Texas. When Southern Baptists launched the Seventy-five Million Campaign in 1919, he was chosen as leader of it and in that year Southern Baptists subscribed more than ninety-two million dollars to be paid in five years. It is doubtful if Baptists have ever had a more militant and powerful leader or one who gave himself more unselfishly to the cause of Christ. He was president of the Baptist General Convention of Texas for 1929, 1930 and 1931, and was president of the Southern Baptist Convention for 1939 and 1940. He was called upon to lead in all kinds of campaigns for institutions, state and churches, but he was always willing to go his full length in helping anything for the building of Christ's Kingdom. Truly, "There is a price and a great man fallen in Israel."

The Builder of a Great Seminary

The immortal B. H. Carroll was the founder of the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary but early in its beginning he passed to his heavenly reward and the responsibility of building the Seminary fell upon the shoulders of Dr. Scarborough. It is said that an institution is the lengthening shadow of a great man and it becomes necessary for us to measure the value of the institution in order to appreciate the life of the man. Dr. Scarborough had a very vital part in securing the funds and in the erection of every building on the campus of the Seminary. He secured the major part of the money for the operating expense for nearly thirty-three years. He led in efforts to secure endowment and lived to see the endowment approaching the two million dollar mark. He saw the institution grow from a small beginning to the largest Baptist seminary in the world. He loved the Seminary with devotion and passion which I have never seen or felt in a human life.

A Great Soul-Winner

Dr. Lee R. Scarborough made a record of evangelism unparalleled in all the history of Christianity. Through thirty-five years he was recognized by Baptists as the foremost evangelist and personal soul-winner in America. With all of his heavy responsibilities as administrator of a great seminary and promoter in denominational work he never lost his fervor for the lost nor his zeal in revival meetings. Up to and even after the time his health failed he received many more invitations for revivals than he could possibly accept. He held many revivals each year and the offerings for the service rendered in these meetings went on the operating expense of the seminary. He wrote fourteen books and nine of these were on evangelism. These books are used as textbooks in the seminary and have been used as reference and study books by more pastors than any other literature published on evangelism. He taught more preachers and other workers the "fine art" of soul-winning than any other man. He was a great personal soul-winner—on trains, in homes, even in business houses and on crowded streets he was always on the lookout for an opportunity to win people to Christ. He was so completely

DR. DAWSON WILL ATTEND

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Committee on Legislation.

Mrs. Eleanor Stabler Clark, of Wallingford, Pa., member of the board of the American Friends Service Committee, will attend the conference as an observer, as will Richard R. Wood, of the Friends Peace Committee of Philadelphia, it was learned here.

Methodist Bishop James C. Baker, chairman of the International Missionary Council, will represent that agency, and also the Foreign Missions Conference of North America, as an unofficial observer at the conference. A resident of Los Angeles, he maintains an office in San Francisco.

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SOUTHERN BAPTIST CHURCHES

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looking to permanent international peace, and

WHEREAS, You will doubtless formulate and adopt an agreement which will serve as a basis of co-operation in international relationships; and

WHEREAS, Complete religious freedom for all the nations of the earth will make a substantial contribution toward permanent peace

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That we, the undersigned citizens of _____, do hereby earnestly petition your august body to incorporate into such world agreement, an article guaranteeing religious freedom to all peoples of all nations.

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DAVID MADE "OVER AND ABOVE"

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a million dollars from this love offering.

I wonder if there is a Southern Baptist pastor who could not make some "over and above" offering to this cause expressing his love and gratitude, even if it meant sacrifice.

I wonder if there is a congregation anywhere that would not follow the example of their pastor if asked to do so.

I wonder if the effort of all, or even half of our pastors, would not result in great rejoicing in our denomination.

I wonder if our pastors themselves would not rejoice most of all and if our Saviour wouldn't behold and bless every one who had a worthy part in this great undertaking.

Let us climax and crown the century for Christ.

The Charleston church, Rev. D. T. Cranford, pastor, is on Honor Roll No. 2 of the Blue Mountain College Endowment Campaign.

and constantly linked with every movement for evangelism that his name became synonymous with that of evangelism.

Thousands of friends and admirers throughout the world join in expressing appreciation for Dr. Scarborough and extending tenderest sympathy to his devoted companion who has faithfully worked with him for nearly forty-five years and to the six children surviving him; namely, George Warren Scarborough, now famous attorney of Fort Worth, Texas; Mrs. Euna Lee Foreman, wife of A. D. Foreman, Jr., now pastor of First Baptist Church, Amarillo, Texas; Lawrence Rutland Scarborough of Edinburg, Texas, now looking after Dr. Scarborough's home and orchard in the Rio Grande Valley; Miss Neppie Scarborough, public school teacher of Fort Worth, Texas; Mrs. Ada Beth Johnson, wife of G. A. Johnson, business man of Houston, Texas; William Byron Scarborough, an attorney of Fort Worth, but now with the navy overseas.

**Tipton Accepts Fernwood Pastorate**

Rev. W. W. Tipton has accepted the pastorate at Fernwood, Pike county. He succeeds Rev. O. A. Varnado, who was called to a church in Louisiana. Rev. Tipton, a native of Missouri, organized and was the only pastor of Fifteenth Street church, East St. Louis, Illinois. He closed his work at East St. Louis on March 25 and is now on the field at Fernwood.

During the eleven years' pastorate of Rev. Tipton, the church grew from 72 members to over 400 and four young men entered the ministry. Two of them, T. L. Pheifer and Ted R. Clark are now students at Mississippi College.

The new Fernwood pastor was moderator of the East St. Louis Baptist Association and a member of the State Mission Board.

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EIGHT MEMBERS ADDED TO I. R. CLUB

Clinton, Miss., April 6, 1945—James Jernigan, president of the Mississippi College International Relations Club, announced at chapel this morning the selection of eight new members of this honorary club, sponsored by the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace. This club is limited to twenty-five members who must have high scholastic average, good personality, and unquestioned character. The new members who are to be initiated at the next regular meeting are A/S Haywood Cates, Tallahassee, Florida; John R. Cobb, McCall Creek, Mississippi; Jean Furr, Tylertown, Mississippi; Betty Newton, Monticello, Mississippi; A/S Charles Tharp, Lambert, Mississippi; Agnes Mathews, Tuskegee, Alabama; Quentin E. Floyd, Brookhaven, Mississippi, and Mary White Nelson, Clinton, Mississippi.

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Richton: Our work at Brewer is moving along fine. The recent revival was a great help to our community. We are planning to begin a building program soon. We appreciate the fine work being done through our denominational paper.—Luther K. Turner, pastor.

The Baptist Record is in receipt of the April copy of the Calendar of Activities of First Baptist Church, Biloxi, G. C. Hodge, pastor. It gives a day by day list of various activities and there are from one to a half-dozen things going on every day.

PROTESTANT EDITORS

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propaganda."

Acting on internal church problems, the association appointed a committee to make a year's study of Protestant public relations under the chairmanship of Dr. Guy Emery Shipley, editor of The Churchman, New York.

The move was taken following an address by Dr. Walter W. Van Kirk of the Federal Council of Churches, who praised the public relations facilities of the Roman Catholic Church and proposed that all Protestant communions in the United States join to create a public relations council. This council, he urged, should be divided into divisions of press relationships, radio relationships, and visual education.

He stressed especially the need for Protestants to make a greater public relations impact upon the government. Declaring "Protestantism is practically politically paralyzed," he advocated a Protestant agency in Washington similar to the National Catholic Welfare Conference.

Dr. T. Otto Nall, managing editor, Christian Advocate, Chicago, was elected president of the association for the next two years. Dr. A. J. Wilson, editor, United Church Observer, Toronto, was named vice-president, and Homer W. King, managing editor, The Protestant Voice, Fort Wayne, Ind., secretary-treasurer.

Featured speakers at the meeting included Dr. Channing Tobias, New York, of the National Council of the Y. M. C. A. Discussing Negro-white relations, he appealed to the church to "free itself from the spiritual blight that has come to it because of an unconscious recognition of a double standard of citizenship and personality."

Other speakers and their subjects were: John G. Ramsay, Columbus, Ohio, public relations director for the United Steel Workers of America, "The Church and Labor"; John W. Sikes, New York, American Friends Service committee, "Editors and Peacetime Military Training"; Bishop Edwin F. Lee, Manila, Singapore and Washington, director of the General Commission on Army and Navy Chaplains, "The Soldier, the Sailor, and the Chaplain"; Elinor Inman, New York, director of church relations, CBS, "The Editors and the Networks."

Dr. Daniel A. Poling, Philadelphia, "News from the Front"; Dr. A. L. Warnshuis, New York, foreign counsellor of the Committee for Overseas Relief and Reconstruction, "What I Saw in Europe"; William Hoeft, New York, business manager of Time magazine, "Appraising the Church Press," and Dr. O. Frederick Nolde, chairman of the Joint Committee on Religious Liberty of the Federal Council of Churches and the Foreign Missions Conference of North America, "Today's Issues in Religious Liberty."

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Dr. L. G. Gates, pastor, First church, Laurel, having announced that he expects soon to retire from the pastorate, the church has appointed a pulpit committee composed of Harry Smallwood, L. G. Beverly, W. W. Geer, Mrs. W. J. Pack and Mrs. Lavon Boyles.

New Prospect church, Mt. Pisgah Association, Newton county, will hold their annual meeting beginning the fifth Sunday in July. Their pastor, Rev. H. C. Buskin, will do the preaching.

Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union

Recording Secretary—Mrs. D. C. Simmons, Jackson, Miss.
Community Missions—Mrs. Levee Boyles, Laurel, Miss.
Vice-President—Mrs. Ned Rice, Charleston, Miss.

OUR STATE OFFICERS
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Training School Trustee—Mrs. O. T. Robinson, Jackson

Miss Mary Christian was in our state last week. She was to have been the Southern Union representative for our State W. M. U. Convention. We are indebted to her for giving us this extra time. It would be impossible to give a full account of what was done last week but this will give an insight into contacts made:

Business Women's Circles—Since her special work is with BWC, we planned for three supper meetings in Jackson, Hattiesburg and Laurel. There were 13 circles represented in the Jackson meeting—two of these from Hazlehurst (23 present from there!), one from Clinton and the other ten circles from the Jackson churches. We had about 125 present. A committee was appointed to nominate officers for a BWC federation. There were only two BWCs in Hattiesburg but a most representative group from these two circles had a supper meeting with Miss Annie Averitt in charge. The Laurel BWC banquet was planned by one of the BWC in First church—a beautiful, well-planned banquet! Mrs. Homer Denham, BWC chairman, served as toastmistress. The five BWCs represented votes enthusiastically to federate and appointed a committee to nominate officers and plan for the next meeting. Miss Christian was the speaker for these three meetings.

Associational W. M. U. Meetings—Lauderdale, Lebanon, Jones and Hinds-Warren (Rankin and Yazoo were represented at this one) were fortunate in having Miss Christian in their meetings. In these, the special emphasis was on community missions. Since this is our Centennial Year and special emphasis is on Evangelism, it was most fitting that emphasis on our personal witness was given. We had 53 societies represented in these meetings.

YWA Associational Meeting—Hinds-Warren YWAs had their annual meeting on Monday night, April 2, in order to have Miss Christian present. There were 150 interested, enthusiastic young women in the meeting. Mrs. E. L. Douglas, the Associational Young People's leader was in charge of the meeting.

State Mission Season of Prayer program committee, composed of 14 women from various sections of the state were in committee meeting all day April 3. This was planned for this date in order that Miss Christian might be in the meeting.

We will give further comment about this splendid meeting later.

We are grateful to Miss Christian for all that she did for Mississippi WMU!

Since the annual meeting of the Southwide W. M. U. won't be held this year, there will be no printing of minutes which would have contained summarized reports of the work of 1944. The following facts were gleaned for us by Miss Mallory from reports of the state. The figures in parenthesis indicate Mississippi's report.

Statistical Facts from W. M. U. Reports for Calendar Year 1944

Total number of organizations—39,667 (1940).

Woman's Missionary Societies—12,651 (642).

Young People's organizations—27,016 (1,348).

Sunbeam—6,724 (387).

R. A.—5,985 (278).

G. A.—9,744 (474).

Y. W. A.—4,563 (209).

Total membership reported—719,186 (37,828).

Woman's Missionary Societies—381,655 (19,601).

Young People's organizations—337,531 (18,227).

Total number of tithers reported—171,177 (11,212).

Woman's Missionary Societies—124,747 (7,631).

Young People's organizations—46,430 (3,581).

New organizations added during the year—3,882 (209).

Woman's Missionary Societies—637 (33).

Young People's organizations—3,245 (176).

Number of churches having full-graded W. M. U. consisting of at least five W. M. U. organizations—2,760 (154).

Number of churches having full-graded W. M. U. reaching class A-1 on the Standard of Excellence—213 (5).

Number of W. M. U. organizations observing Seasons of Prayer for Missions—W. M. S.: State, 9,300 (530); Home, 9,577 (541); Foreign, 9,693 (540). Young People: State, 13,192 (889); Home, 14,515 (873); Foreign, 14,853 (993).

Total number of mission study classes—50,268 (3,221).

Woman's Missionary Societies—27,908 (1,983).

Young People's organizations—22,360 (1,238).

Small seals awarded for the study of one mission book—160,884 (6,947). To W. M. S. members, 71,831 (3,011); to Young People—89,053 (3,936).

Large seals awarded for completing courses of eight books each (all to W. M. S. members)—1,133.

Number of organizations class A-1 on Standard of Excellence—5,808 (487).

Woman's Missionary Societies—1,388 (117).

Young People's organizations—4,220 (370).

Sunbeam 1,033 (81).

R. A.—822 (73).

G. A.—1,567 (145).

Y. W. A.—798 (71).

Number of churches reporting gifts to missions from every resident woman member—839 (48).

Real Royal Service

J. E. Dillard

I like the name of the W. M. U. magazine, "Royal Service." It is both declarative and hortatory; it tells what the women do and exhorts them to do it better.

Service

Service is a great word in the Christian's vocabulary. Jesus used it, exemplified it and glorified it. He said, "If any man serve me, let him follow me; and where I am, there

shall also my servant be; if any man serve me, him will my father honor" (John 12:26). Jesus showed His evaluation of service by declaring that He came "... not to be ministered unto but to minister (serve) ..." (Matt. 20:28). How this changes the standards of earth. The great souls are not the ones that are much served by many servants but they are the ones that render great service in a great way. This opens the gate wide enough for all of us to enter.

Royal Service

There are at least two kinds of service: the service we render because we have to and the service we render because we love to. This second is the kind Jesus wants; it is the kind the world needs. Service becomes royal service when it is rendered to a royal person in a royal way. We can do something worthwhile for our King just because we love Him. This is real royal service.

More Royal Service

How can we render more royal service to our King? The answer is obvious. By doing His will more fully; by carrying out His commandments more faithfully; by seeking His glory more continuously. If we love Him we must obey Him; there is no better way, indeed no other way to show that we really do love Him.

Christ identifies Himself with His people. "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, ye have done it unto me" (Matt. 25:41).

Christ's people are in need the world around; His cause here, there and everywhere languishes for lack of men and means. We can do something about it. We can help care for His bride (the church); we can seek to win the lost for whom Jesus died; we can find a place of service in a suffering society; we can contribute of our means to help rebuild a broken and blasted world.

The Centennial Thank Offering

The Centennial Thank Offering offers an opportunity to make a real sacrificial offering to show our gratitude and love. The offering is for the postwar needs of our Baptist work. It is for the reconstruction, rehabilitation, remanning and enlarging of our work. Secretary Rankin says, "The physical equipment of fully half the work of the Foreign Mission Board has been destroyed." When we contribute let us not do it grudgingly or give a tip or a dole as though our king were a pauper and his bride a beggar.

Let us make it a Centennial offering, that is, let us give one hundred dollars, one for each of the one hundred years. If we can't do that, let us give a hundred halves, or quarters, or dimes. Do your best as you purpose in your heart, remembering that the Lord loves a cheerful giver. His cause waits.

Crowning a Century for Christ

Consult with your pastor as to the date your church will take this offering. The recommendation of our Convention is that we do it one Sunday between April 15 and June 15.)



JUNIOR SPECIALIST

Mrs. Lillian Rice, Junior specialist of the Baptist Sunday School Board, will teach Junior work at Meridian, April 23-27, during the Better Bible Teaching Week. The meetings will be held each night in the First Baptist Church.

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In GREAT SONGS OF THE GOSPEL by Al Smith, the well-known compiler, has ably fulfilled his responsibility in presenting the generally-loved, great and enduring songs of the Christian life—those suited to ready congregation response. The price is 25 cents per copy or \$20.00 per hundred. Orders should be sent to the publisher, The Moody Press, 153 Institute Place, Chicago 10, Ill.

"Booze and the War" by Sam Morris and published by the Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Mich., is a book of 64 pages of dynamite for the liquor industry. It will help anyone who reads it. Order it from the publisher or from the Baptist Book Store. The price is 35c.

"A New Testament Commentary" comments on New Testament subjects and ancient eastern customs giving new understanding of the words and idioms as they were used by Jesus and His apostles and contemporaries. This is the best one volume commentary that we have seen. It does not cover every verse but even if you disagree with some of the conclusions, they are interesting. The author is Dr. George M. Lamsa, ethnologist and Aramaic language expert. Being a native Assyrian and reared in the Holy Land, Dr. Lamsa is well prepared. This book is published by the A. J. Holman Co., Philadelphia 7, Pa., and sells for \$3.75. Orders should be sent to the publisher or to the Baptist Book Store.

"The Bible and Missions" by Charles S. Detweiler is a 68-page pamphlet of six studies with the following chapter heads: The Bible a Missionary Book; The Book of Ruth; The Book of Jonah; World-Wide Missions in the Mind of Christ; The Epistle to Philemon; The Making of a Missionary. Mission study classes will find it helpful and inspiring. It will prime the pump for missionary sermons. Orders should be sent to the publisher, The Judson Press, Philadelphia, Penn., or the Baptist Book Store. The price is 25c.

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We appreciate a list of seven subscriptions sent in by Rev. E. D. Estes from Big Creek church, Calhoun county.

Home Mission Board

Trust The Lord And Tell The People

J. B. Lawrence, Executive Secretary-Treasurer

March, 1944

Joe W. Burton, Secretary of Education



DR. M. N. McCall,

Superintendent of Home Mission work in Cuba for forty years, who was honored by the Cuban government, Cuban Baptists, and the Home Mission Board in recent significant services in Havana.

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CUBANS HONOR MISSION LEADER
By Joe W. Burton

Havana, March 28—Cubans like special occasion. They delight in pageantry. They are the world's best in paying tribute.

Fifteen hundred Cubans, jamming every nook and corner of the spacious Baptist Temple, were in their glory last night in honoring Dr. M. N. McCall on his forty years of mission service on the island.

The colorful ceremonies were climaxed when the Havana pastor, educator, and mission administrator was decorated with the Order of Carlos Manuel de Cespedes, Cuba's highest civilian award.

Dr. Enrique Guy Calvo, of the state ministry, decorated Dr. McCall on behalf of the Cuban government and President Grau San Martin. The Cespedes award, given to the educators, was in recognition of Dr. McCall's long service in mission school work.

High government officials, led by the palace majordomo and his wife, President Gau's niece, joined in the national homage paid the Home Board mission superintendent. A secretary from the American embassy brought personal greetings from Ambassador Braden.

Born in Georgia of a family which has given the state many noted preachers, Dr. McCall was trained at Mercer, Southern Seminary, and Denison University in Ohio. He resigned the pastorate at Dalton, Georgia, in 1905, to accept at 30, a Home Board appointment as a teacher in Cuban American College.

His fortieth anniversary is coincident with the fortieth annual session of the West Cuban Baptist Convention, of which Dr. McCall has been the only president and over which he presides in its four-day meeting here this week.

At last night's program an extraordinary session of the convention, crowds began to gather over an hour in advance. Half of the throng, un-

able to find seats, stood in the aisles, about the walls, and in the balconies until the end of the service at eleven o'clock.

Dr. and Mrs. McCall, seated on the platform and frequently in the spotlight for the still and movie filming of the event, quietly received the plaudits of the people they have served for a generation.

The Cuban marine band played the Cuban and American anthems opening the program. A Cuban network, over which Dr. McCall speaks each Sunday morning, broadcast the event over the island. A movie news release will be on the screen of Cuban theaters before the end of the week.

Feature of many tributes given Dr. McCall by grateful fellow Baptists was the presentation of a 400-page biography, written by a missionary, Dr. A. Lopez Munoz, under the supervision of a commission of the Cuban Baptist Training Union Federation. An English translation for the Home Board's library is being prepared.

As the Board's special representative, I delivered to Dr. McCall resolutions from the Board and a letter from Dr. J. B. Lawrence. The resolutions cited the growth of churches, publication of literature, formation of schools and a seminary, and the acquisition of many pieces of mission property as evidences of the Lord's blessings on Dr. McCall's ministry in Cuba.

Asserting that Dr. McCall is "one of Southern Baptists' greatest missionaries," Dr. Lawrence wrote that in forty years he had built a denomination in Cuba which holds the principles of "freedom of worship, autonomy of the local church, separation of church and state, and salvation by grace without works."

The magnificent Baptist Temple, a beacon for God in the heart of Havana and meeting place for the Convention, is one of the great monuments built by Dr. McCall. A property valued at a third of a million dollars, it is strategically located in the throb-bing midst of Havana's 750,000 people, just one block from the nation's capitol.

Rebuilt three times by Dr. McCall, the Temple now includes an auditorium seating 700, lecture rooms for seminary, training school and college, offices for the Cuban mission staff, a medical clinic, a printery, and living quarters for missionaries and advanced students.

Throughout the four western provinces in which the Home Board does work, Dr. McCall's leadership has secured the erection or purchase of many mission properties, temples of worship—monuments to his missionary statesmanship and to a Christian philanthropist in the States whose gifts made them possible, Mrs. Ida M. Bottoms.

Even while honoring their beloved leader, Cuban Baptists are saddened by the fact that the veteran mission superintendent, now 70, sorely needs additional help in his pressing work. For seven years the Board has sought a suitable man, called of God, to be his assistant. Cuban Baptists are praying earnestly that he may soon be found. So also are Dr. McCall and the Board.

Pastor Buys Newspaper Space

To Advertise Gospel

Recognizing the value of publishing the message in the secular press, a pastor in Missouri is purchasing space in his local paper to print a series of newspaper displays in co-operation with the Home Mission Board.

Distinctive beliefs and contributions of Southern Baptists, restated for publication in the Centennial Year, are set out in the series of twelve messages. The cost to the Missouri pastor, in a paper with a circulation of 4,000, is \$10 per advertisement.

"The idea is so timely," he writes, "that I am paying it out of my own pocket." Other pastors and churches, he urges, should see the value of publishing the gospel in the secular press and make use of the material offered free by the Board.

"Christian Scientists, Catholics, and others," he adds, "are finding it pays to use the newspapers. Why shouldn't we who have the true message of God?"

The advertisements are in mat form, ready for use in a newspaper. Each display is three columns in width by about nine inches in depth. Inquiries from pastors, churches, or groups of churches should be addressed to Rev. Joe W. Burton, 315 Red Rock Building, Atlanta 3, Georgia.

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Southern Baptist Hospital: Heintz cannot use his left arm and hand. When he was less than five months old he fell into a fire and was very severely burned about his body, and his left arm and hand suffered greatly. Expert surgery and faithful nursing over a period of two years; and the boy now is able to get about in a rolling chair, and there is hope that he will ultimately be able to use his hand. He is 14 years old.

Lima, Peru, Jan. 24—Representatives of the several branches of Catholic Action and other Roman Catholic organizations in the city called on the President of Peru Jan. 18 to thank him for the decree he signed Jan. 4 prohibiting non-Catholics to carry on meetings or worship outside their already established churches. In reply the President made a speech reiterating the duty of the public authorities to preserve the prevailing religion. He refers to the religion of Peru as the "Catholic," never the "Christian," faith.

The Shiloh church, Winston county Rev. O. B. Renick, pastor, is on the Glory Roll of the Blue Mountain College Endowment Campaign.

SOUTHSIDE CHURCH McCOMB

PAYS OFF BONDS

By R. R. Jones, Pastor

On the first Sunday in January, the Southside Baptist Church of McComb held a dedicatory service dedicating the church free of debt; that is, legally, but from a moral and religious standpoint, the church did not believe that the debt was paid.

The church building was erected in 1923 when the country was enjoying a wave of great prosperity, and things went well for a number of years until the depression came and caught the church with a large debt and practically all the members of the church out of employment.

The Cotton Mill suspended operation, the Garment Plant shut down, and the Railroad cut off hundreds of men. During those dark days the church struggled along, sometimes not being able to pay all the running expenses, but did manage to pay the interest on the indebtedness.

This went on until some of the bondholders were pushing the church for payment of bonds long past due. At this time the pastor got in touch with Dr. J. B. Lawrence, executive secretary of the Home Mission Board, and through him the Home Mission Board agreed to lend the church enough money to pay all outstanding bonds at 75c on the dollar.

The church got in touch with all bondholders and told them the offer the Home Mission Board had made. The bondholders agreed to the offer. So the church paid the bondholders 75c on the dollar.

Then the church went on for eight years paying the Home Mission Board. Just a little more than a year ago, the Home Mission Board was paid in full. Then the church was dedicated, and by agreement and legally, was free of debt. But, morally and religiously, we did not regard the debt paid.

During the past year the Lord blessed the church in a great way, and soon we had enough money in the bank to pay off the 25% which the church felt that it still owed the bondholders. So the matter was brought first before the deacons, and then to the church. When it was presented to the church it passed unanimously. We not only paid the principal, but all interest for nine years up to date. The whole amount was \$2,080. We still believe that "Honesty is the best policy."

—BR—

MISSISSIPPI CALENDAR OF PRAYER

April 23—Mrs. Lavon Boyles, W. M. U. Community Missions Chairman.

April 24—H. E. Denson, Leake County Associational Sunday School Superintendent.

April 25—Mrs. M. L. Peevay, W. M. U. Associational Superintendent, Copiah County.

April 26—Mrs. H. K. Sledge, Chairman, W. M. U. District One.

April 27—Rev. J. L. Moore, Leake County Convention Board Member.

April 28—M. L. Haynie, Office Manager, Blue Mountain College.

April 29—Rev. C. Z. Holland, Madison County Convention Board Member.

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The New Central church, Benton county, Rev. W. B. May, pastor, is on the Glory Roll of the Blue Mountain College Endowment Campaign.

Pastor J. R. Kyzar, Mississippian, and the people of Grandview church, Nashville, Tenn., are rejoicing over the steady growth of their building fund.

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James S. Riley, Caddo Wells, Texas.
E. G. Nelson, Prairie Valley, Texas.

L. P. Fort, Victory, Dallas, Texas.

M. W. Thomas, Druham church, Hunt county, Texas.

W. C. Pearce, Seadrift from Corpus Christi, Texas.

H. F. Burns, Center, Alabama.

E. A. White, Moffatt, Texas, from Belton.

E. N. Holmes, Weaverion, Okla., from Fort Worth, Texas.

W. Y. Pond, Jr., Leander, Texas.

W. J. Joyner, Lexington, Texas, from Llano.

Carroll Wheless, Robinson, Texas.

Morris Ford, Longview, Texas, from Jackson, Tenn.

Olin Bean, Oglesby, Texas.

L. B. Fowler, Richland, Texas.
Hugh L. Smith, Dawson Memorial, Philpot, Ky.

S. C. Swinney, Montgomery City, Mo., from Bragadocia, Mo.

Malcolm B. Knight, Ocala, Fla., from Rockmart, Ga.

Hollis A. Burge, First, San Diego, Calif.

Arthur King, Clarendon, Ark., from Joplin, Mo.

Hugh Cantrell, First, Stephens, Ark., from Union, El Dorado, Ark.

Ray Rhyne, Tuckerman, Ark., from Biggers.

W. R. Woodall, Wynne, Ark., from Marked Tree.

Clyde Hart, Central, Hot Springs, Ark., from Immanuel, El Dorado, Ark.

A. L. Magee, Rio Vista, New Orleans, La.

J. T. Summers, evangelistic work from Woodlawn church, Little Rock, Ark.

Clyde Hankins, Mt. Ida, Ark.

Allen Buhler, Morristown, Tenn.

H. H. Stembridge, First, Paducah, Ky.
David Pittman, Bennington, Okla.

Garrett Graham, Euclid Avenue, Bristol, Va.

W. C. Harrison, Belmont, Texas.

Charlston S. Prickett, Woodlawn, Birmingham, Ala., from Grove Avenue, Richmond, Va.

Olsen Sisk, Trinity, Hopkinsville, Ky.

E. Keevil Judy, Henderson, Ky.

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J. H. Sharp, Decherd, Tenn.

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Cullen Hawkins, Market Street, Houston, Texas.

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Fred Savage, Kerman, La.

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H. C. Hooter, Jennings, La.

Carl Leeper, Big Wells, Texas, from Batesville.

A. A. Staples, Evergreen, Ala.

W. W. Clifford, Deatsville, Ala.

C. Ford Deusner, Paducah, Ky.

D. M. Campbell, New River, Gonzales, La.

W. C. Deltz, Greenburg, La.

O. C. Cooper, Greenfield, Tenn., from Cairo, Ill.

J. B. Britton, Bessemer, Ala.

Jack Thomas, Arlington, Ga.

T. W. Wilson, Ashburn, Ga.

J. E. Digh, Kannapolis, North Carolina, from Wilson Grove.

J. C. Shore, Walkertown, North Carolina.

C. E. Wilbanks, Springdale, Ark., from Stillwater, Okla.

John Collier, Central Little Rock, Ark.

Dale F. Taylor, College Hill, Texarkana, Ark.

W. Barry Garrett, Rush Springs, Okla.,



MISSISSIPPIAN IN MARYLAND

Joseph N. Triplett, native of Mashulaville, Winston county, and formerly pastor at Poplar Flat, Winston county; Concord, Noxulbee county; and Marion, Miss., has gone to Crisfield, Maryland, to become pastor of First Baptist Church.

Rev. Triplett is a graduate of Mississippi College and the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky. During student days and following graduation from the Seminary he served two half-time churches at Centertown, Kentucky.

—BR—

Ellison Ridge church, Winston county: We enjoyed a most inspiring day at our church Sunday, April 15. We secured \$206 to purchase an electric pump and waterworks for the pastor's home and church. Thirty people promised to represent our church at Training Union meeting at Louisville, April 24. Three Intermediate boys made profession of faith on Sunday morning.—Percy Renick, pastor.

Macedonia church, Winston county: There was a wonderful spirit in the service at Macedonia Sunday, April 15. There were 84 in Sunday school besides some who came in a little late and were not counted. The time for the revival meeting was set for the second week in August.—Percy Renick, pastor. Note: Ellison Ridge is a full time country church. Macedonia has preaching two Sunday afternoons but we think they will soon have Brother Renick for every Sunday afternoon.—John F. Carter, associational pastor, Winston County Baptist Association.

from Darlington, S. C.
Vernon Hines, Afton, Okla., from Garber.

Lewis Cocreham, Floresville, Texas, from San Antonio, Texas.

Oby Nelson, First, Dublin, Texas, from Connell Memorial, Fort Worth.

E. E. Gilbert, Anna, Texas.

Jesse B. Leverett, Clyde, Texas.

Walter C. Dever, Sylvester, Texas, from Eunice, New Mexico.

Jim Knowles, Sweet Home, Texas.
Wayland Boyd, Opel, Tex.

Tom M. Collins, Valley View, Texas.

Truitt A. Dennis, Edna Hill, Texas,

from Long Branch.

Dewey Barlow, Portland, Texas, from Crowley.

Favorite Sermon Series Begins Soon

"My Favorite Sermon," a series of sermons by Mississippi pastors, reveals the kind of sermons Baptists in Mississippi are hearing.

You will want to read the kind of sermons that Baptists of other churches Plan now to read the first and all the sermons in this series.

are hearing.

MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE VOLUNTEER BAND ELECTS OFFICERS

At a recent meeting of the Volunteer Band of Mississippi College, new officers were elected for the semester. Hollis McNer of Kilmichael was re-elected president. Jean Parker of Jackson was chosen vice-president. Elected as secretary was Jean Furr of Tylertown. Sara Smiley of Clarksdale was elected reporter. Helen Moffett of Laurel will serve as social chairman.

The work of the Volunteer Band during the semester included a weekly service for the patients at the Polio Clinic in Jackson, Sunday service at the Old Ladies' Home, and a Negro Mission in Clinton. Recently, services have been taken to the county jail.

At the Polio Clinic recently, the patients surprised one of the Band members, Sara Smiley, by giving her a party on her birthday. After contests, in which both the patients and the student workers participated, the group presented Miss Smiley with an autograph book autographed by all patients at the Clinic. In closing, a devotional on "The Pure in Heart" was given by Jean Parker.

In one jail service of which Joe Stovall was in charge, a Negro man expressed his desire to become a Christian. The men are not only willing, but eager, to take part in the singing and to accept the Gospels and New Testaments offered to them.

RESOLUTIONS OF PARKWAY CHURCH

Whereas, Mississippi Baptists are wholeheartedly in accord with Southern Baptists in the great program of the Centennial Evangelistic Crusade of 1945; and,

Whereas, this evangelistic program is considered to be not only the most gigantic crusade ever undertaken by Southern Baptists, but also the largest recorded in Christian history; and,

Whereas, for success it will call for the all-out labors of every Baptist in the entire Southland; and,

Whereas, the pastor of our church has been honored by being asked to head this great work in the state of Mississippi.

Therefore be it resolved:

First, that we hereby agree to pray very earnestly for our pastor throughout the year of 1945; and,

Second, that we hold up his hands with all of our hearts, aiding him with our personal efforts in the program of this church; and,

Third, that we lend him as much as is necessary for the success of his task to fields in the state outside of our church; and,

Fourth, that we pay for all supply work in necessary absences; and,

Fifth, that we consider all of the above named propositions as gifts of love for the success of the Kingdom.

Respectfully submitted,
Board of Deacons,
Parkway Baptist Church.

—BR—

Mrs. C. E. Matthews of McComb calls our attention to the fact that the names of two former pastors of Tangipahoa church were omitted from the recent article concerning that church. We regret the omission of the names of Rev. J. R. G. Reeves and Rev. A. A. Scarborough.

Mrs. W. C. Sheffield, reporter for Darlove W. M. U. states that the Pastor, Rev. R. A. Langley, is a regular attendant at the meetings. They are in the midst of a drive for clothing for the destitute Europeans.

Negro Boy Accepts Christ In Shine Parlor

By W. T. Waring

In a bookblack parlor in St. Louis, I asked the Negro boy who was cleaning my shoes, "Are you a Christian?"

"I've been here from Chicago for several months," he said, "and you're the first person to speak to me that way."

"Well," I responded, "I'd like to talk to you about the Lord Jesus Christ."

His reply still rings in my ears. "Mister, if you've got time to talk about Jesus, I've got time to listen."

In that busy bookblack parlor in the busy downtown district of St. Louis, I told the Negro boy about Jesus and he took Him into his heart.

Incidentally, I had the best shine I ever had in my life.

—BR—

Blue Mountain Summer Session Begins June 5

Blue Mountain, Miss., April 14—The summer session of Blue Mountain College will begin June 5 and close August 17. The first term will begin June 5 and the second term July 12. The first assembly will be on June 6. The personnel of the faculty follows:

Lawrence T. Lowrey, Ph.D., president and director; Mrs. J. B. Leavell, dean of women; Ernest H. Cox, Ph.D., dean and professor of English; Jennie Lee Hunt, B. A., registrar; Alonzo M. Donnell, M. A., botany and chemistry; Linda Berry, B. Mus., M. A. voice, public school music; Lucy Hutchins, Ph.D., Latin; George W. Beswick, M. A., education; Elinora Winfrey, M. A., Ph.D., psychology; Elizabeth Hutchins, M. A., Spanish; David E. Guyton, M. A., social science; Joseph H. Pannell, A. B., A. M., social science; Eula Dees, B. A., M. A., social science; Elizabeth Purser, B. A., B. L. I., B. E., speech arts; C. J. Smyly, Th.M., Bible; Lucy Lamb, B. A., librarian; Ruby Akers, B. A., English; Aliene Johnson, M. A., English; J. E. Buchanan, Jr., B. S. business manager; Mrs. Ethel Lindley, education.

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Many Minutes Missing

Below we list the minutes of associations that have been sent to the Convention Board Office. It is IMPORTANT that we have on file, if at all possible, EVERY ASSOCIATIONAL MINUTE, for daily data and information asked for by many others all over Mississippi. We like to supply all requests where possible, but unless these minutes are on file, sometimes we cannot give the real service we would like so much to give. If your association minutes are not listed below, please send them to this office at your early convenience. Thank you.—D. A. McCall.

Calhoun, Carroll, Clarke, Clay, Chickasaw, Choctaw, Copiah, DeSoto, Grenada, Gulf Coast, Hinds-Warren, Holmes, Jackson, Jasper, Jones, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Leake, Lee, Marion, Madison, Marshall, Neshoba, Newton, Oktibbeha, Panola, Pearl River, Pike, Prentiss, Riverside, Scott, Simpson, Sunflower, Tallahatchie, Union, Wayne, Yalobusha, Yazoo, Tishomingo and Zion.

Dr. Cullom Names Ten Worthwhile Books

"Through the kindness of the Wake Forest Library, the Duke Loan Library and a few personal friends," says Dr. W. R. Cullom, retired professor of Bible at Wake Forest College, "it has been my happy privilege to read a few of the more important new books in the field of religion during the fall and winter. In trying here to follow our Lord's exhortation, 'Freely ye have received, freely give,' in sending the names of the titles and authors of a few of these books. If this can mean so much to others as it has meant to me, I shall be very happy."

Continuing, he said, "Of course it is to be understood that I do not mean to commend everything that is said in all these books. It is taken for granted that each one will do his own thinking. But my opinion is that anyone who will read these books thoughtfully and carefully will be left in the plight of the minister who ate the woman's cherry pie. She saw him some time afterwards and asked, 'Aren't you the same man that ate my cherry pie?' 'No, madam,' said he, 'I'll never be the same man again.'

1. On Being a Real Person. H. E. Fosdick.
2. In Search of a Kingdom. Leslie D. Weatherhead.
3. A Plain Man Looks at the Cross. Leslie D. Weatherhead.
4. Preaching in a Revolutionary Age. G. B. Oxnam.
5. The Predicament of Modern Man. J. Elton Trueblood.
6. The Survival of Western Culture. R. T. Flewelling.
7. The Vitality of the Christian Tradition. Edited by Geo. F. Thomas.
8. Protestantism: A Symposium. Edited by Wm. K. Anderson.
9. According to Paul. H. F. Rall.
10. A Great Time to be Alive. H. E. Fosdick.

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FRANK LEE COKER ORDAINED

On March 7 at Osyka church, Frank Lee Coker was ordained to the ministry of the gospel. He was licensed to preach by the First church of Magnolia on February 14. Having served as supply pastor for the Osyka church during December the church asked for the privilege of ordaining him. The ordination sermon was preached by Rev. Sam Gordon, pastor at Amite, Louisiana, and district governor of the 141st District of Rotary International.

The ordination council for the examination of Brother Coker was held Feb. 25 at Magnolia church.



Miss Joy Campbell, Jefferson City, Missouri, president of the P. K. (Preachers' Kids) Club at Blue Mountain, in a harp recital. Miss Campbell is the daughter of Rev. C. G. Campbell, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Jefferson City, Missouri.

500,000 DOLLARS LEFT TO METHODIST CHURCH

Columbus, Ohio—(RNS)—Thirty years hence, Drummond Methodist Church of Cadiz will receive more than \$500,000, it was revealed here when the will of the late Thomas A. Scott, Columbus millionaire, was probated. Mr. Scott, a member of the church, was killed in a railroad crossing accident last December.

Property to be held in trust for the church includes an entire city block in the Grandview section of Columbus, a 30-family apartment building nearby, a service station, an apartment building on the East Side, another apartment in Long Beach, Calif., and one-third interest in the First National Bank building in Cadiz.

Terms of the trust provide that for 30 years the income from the properties will be distributed to Mr. Scott's daughter and other relatives and friends, after which the principal will be turned over to the church. Income from the property will pay the minister \$5,000 per year, finance erection of a new church, and provide maintenance expenses.

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The Sardis church, Scott county, is on Honor Roll No. 2 of the Blue Mountain College Endowment Campaign.



ENSIGN J. V. NALL, JR.

Ensign J. V. Nall, Jr., was a very loyal member of our church and department until entering the service of his country on August 6, 1942. Upon entering Mississippi College at Clinton he carried his letter with him.

He received his commission in the Naval Air Corps on December 21, 1943, and was killed while on target practice at sea, Atlantic area, at Vero Beach, Florida, Jan. 22, 1944.

We count it a great privilege to pay tribute to the loving memory of one who was "precious in the Lord's sight," whom he loyally served through the years in many capacities. We feel deeply our great loss, not only because of the splendid service he rendered, but because of his radiant personality. His influence will live on in the lives of his loved ones and friends.

His daily life was an inspiration to the young people of our community as he witnessed for Christ. In the home the family spoke of him as their "bundle of sunshine." Death was a gateway to a fuller and richer life with God. His life challenges us to press on in Christian service.—Young People's Department, Petal-Harvey Baptist Church.

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FOUR MILLION DOLLARS PRESENTED HOSPITAL

Houston, Tex., March 7—(INS)—The fourth gift of one million dollars for hospital purposes in Houston within a week was announced today by Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Cullen. It was for postwar construction of the Episcopal hospital.

Within the week the Cullens have given a million dollars each to the Memorial, Baptist and Methodist hospitals. The gifts have been in cash, and without any conditions attached.

When Cullen announced award of two million dollars to Memorial and Hermann hospitals a few days ago, he said, "It is just as easy to give away two million dollars as two bits."

Cullen is recognized as among the leading oil men of the country.

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Ellisville: W. L. Day of Louisville assisted us in our revival service April 2-8. Mrs. J. Lewis Gates of First church, Laurel, led the music. There were 22 additions. We commend these friends for their fine spirit and their good work among us.—George A. Nichols, pastor.

MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS—(Continued from Page Three)

Why they spend money to attend places that hurt, when they could go free to places that help.

Why they refuse an education, when all their elders insist they need it.

Why they think something is free, when it must always be paid for by somebody.

Why they choose poor, unworthy life companions, when good ones nearby are ready to help them live happily ever afterwards.—J. B. Grant in Arkansas Baptist.

Marine Correspondent Predicts Returning Chaplain Will Stir Congregations

New York—(RNS)—The chaplain returning to civilian life after the war will be "a different man," and some of them "may be kicked out of some nice pulpits by indignant congregations," according to an article in the Woman's Home Companion by Lt. Jim Lucas, combat correspondent of the U. S. Marine Corps.

"But the churches will be stronger for these men whose eyes are opened to reality," Lieutenant Lucas observed, pointing out that "they have developed new channels of expression, new outlooks, new reliance, and a new sense of independence." And many of them will not willingly surrender it when they return to civilian life.

"And give the credit," he concluded, "to the marines and their brothers in the army and navy, the lads who have had a lasting influence on their chaplains. The teacher has been taught. The preacher went to war and heard a sermon. Will you be able to understand it when he comes home?"

Catholic Church Forms Mass League

The exact text of a communication now being distributed among the faithful reads as follows:

Seraphic Mass Association
St. Augustine's Monastery
220 Thirty-Seventh St., Pittsburgh, Pa.
February 20, 1945

Dear Friend:

Would you be interested in our Perpetual Mass League? This League offers 500 Masses each day for its members. Perpetual membership entitles the enrolled to a participation in the spiritual benefits found listed on the enclosed application blank.

Perpetual living membership fee is five dollars and for the deceased two dollars. The enclosed application blank will explain the object and benefits of this Mass League, which has the approval of our Holy Father. We also have an enrollment for those in the armed forces. Such an enrollment will entitle the one enrolled to a beautiful Spiritual Bouquet and all the benefits of the association for the duration of the war.

Hoping that you will be interested in our Perpetual Mass League and asking God to bless you, I am

Sincerely yours,
Fr. Cecil Nally, O. M. Cap.

The application blank enclosed with the above letter gives the following particulars:

Spiritual Treasury

1. Every year 6,000 special Masses are said for living and deceased members.
2. Members participate in the 500 Masses offered daily in 500 different Capuchin monasteries for their benefactors.
3. Every year 300,000 Holy Communions are offered up by our lay-Brothers and associates.
4. Members share in the good works, prayers and sacrifices of 13,000 Capuchin Fathers and lay-Brothers.

Conditions

1. Yearly membership fee: 50 cents for each member.
2. Perpetual deceased membership fee: \$2.00 for each member.
3. Perpetual living membership fee: \$5 for each member. (Continues after death.)
4. Perpetual membership for an entire family, living and deceased: \$25.00.—Christian Century.

BR
The deacons of First church, Columbus, recently called the pastor, Dr. J. D. Franks, before them. They requested that he and his wife take a few weeks off for rest and presented them with an ample purse to pay all expenses.

Twenty-two of the twenty-three officers and teachers in the Bassfield Sunday school completed the study course book "The Place of Evangelism in the Sunday School," by J. N. Barnett. We had hoped for a perfect record but missed it by one. We are expecting to see great results in our Sunday school work from our study together.—Joe W. Hudson, pastor.



Baptist Training Union

BOX 530 — JACKSON, 105, MISS.

We want you to be
present at the

APRIL 24

Training Union
Mass Meetingto be held in your
association

Contact your associational
director for time and
place of meeting.

Chickasaw Completes Associational Organization

We are indebted to Miss Bertice Boutwell, associational secretary, for a splendid report on a recent meeting of the Chickasaw Associational Training Union. This meeting was held at Houlka on Tuesday night, 7:30. Members of the Okolona, Houston, Van Vleet and Houlka unions were represented. The

Montreal—A recent resolution of the Quebec city council urged the federal government to intern T. T. Shields, Baptist minister of Toronto, who has toured Ontario and the western provinces warning against Roman Catholic "aggression."—Christian Century.

A committee was appointed by the Louisiana conference last year to cooperate with the Louisiana Methodist Conference in providing at the state penitentiary a chapel for services by evangelical denominations. The state furnishes such a place for Catholics.—Western Recorder.

The Sick And Suffering Helped

The following statement is made by Mr. D. C. Simmons, President, Board of Trustees, Mississippi Baptist Hospital. As already recalled in other statements we asked the Convention for authority to float a \$200,000 bond issue at the same time stating we expected special friends to make contributions in excess of the amount. We knew we needed a minimum of \$300,000 for the proposed building expansion program. We felt it wise not to go into the short period campaign for a larger amount than \$200,000 minimum. No Baptist institution in our day and generation, so far as we recall, had raised that much money in one campaign.

In addition to the unusual response of Baptists and their friends in the campaign, we received some big monies that were statedly given to apply on the amount beyond the \$200,000 mark. Thus these two things put us so far along the road toward the \$300,000 goal it was felt wise to continue this campaign rather than launching a later campaign for the third \$100,000.

The month of MAY, for many years, has been HOSPITAL MONTH in the Southern Baptist Convention Calendar of Activities. The Mississippi Baptist Convention last November voted to fall in with that emphasis. We are therefore continuing our "Expansion Campaign" through the month of May, climaxing it with a special offering in all of the churches on MOTHER'S DAY, SUNDAY, MAY 13.

The Sunday schools are cooperating, the Woman's Missionary Societies will continue their Fannie Traylor Memorial through this season, and the Hospital Board of Trustees has designated the Mother's Day offering as "The Fannie Traylor Memorial Offering." Training Unions and Brotherhoods, as well as all church departments will cooperate in this offering. Offering envelopes may be secured upon request from the Baptist Convention Board office, Box 530, Jackson 105, Mississippi.

We confidently feel that Mississippi Baptists and their many friends will write VICTORY into this campaign, as in other recent campaigns. We appreciate, and request a continuance of your prayers, your support, your gifts, and patronage.

D. C. SIMMONS, President,
Board of Trustees,
MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST HOSPITAL

District Training Union Conventions Cancelled

Along with other meetings for the year we have been compelled to cancel our District Training Union Conventions for 1945. We have had these meetings annually since 1921 with the exception of one year, and it will seem strange not to have them this year. We can turn this into a blessing though, if we will give a little more emphasis to the work of the four contests in the unions, churches and associations. Let this be a year when EVERY Story Hour, Junior Union, Intermediate Union and Young People's Union will promote the drills within the union. Seek to enlist as many of the members as possible to participate. We hope EVERY associational director will have these drills in an associational meeting in May or June, selecting the best in each drill. We hope to be able to work out a plan whereby we may select a state representative from the Intermediate and Young People's Unions. These features in our Training Union work are vital to its very life.

opening song service was in charge of Mr. J. O. Harwood; a welcome to visitors was expressed by Mr. H. L. Andrews; Director Satterwhite was in charge of the business session which resulted in the election of the following officers: Pastor advisor, Rev. George Gay; associate director, C. P. Bowman; chorister, J. O. Harwood; pianist, Mrs. D. D. Satterwhite; adult leader, G. H. Dickey; Young People's leader, Mrs. H. L. Andrews; Intermediate leader, Mrs. A. D. Craft; Junior Leader, Miss Laverne Harwood; Story Hour leader, Mrs. John Collums; secretary-treasurer, Miss Bertice Boutwell. The director, Rev. D. D. Satterwhite was elected last fall at the regular associational meeting. Plans were made for the special mass meeting to be held on April 24. This meeting is to be at Okolona. Looks like a good set-up and we shall expect a good report quarter by quarter showing a helpful extension program in progress.

Myrtle Reports Great Week of Study

Several weeks ago the Myrtle church held for its Training Union perhaps the best study course they have ever had as reported by Miss Clara Mae Bate man, general secretary. Awards were issued to 22 adults, 14 young people, 10 Intermediates, nine Juniors, and nine Story Hour members were also given a course to their great delight and profit. Mr. W. T. Reynolds is the efficient director and is leading in a great way. We are happy to have this good report and to pass it on as encouragement for others.

Friendship, Pike County, wins Attendance Contest

For several months the Friendship and Summit Training Unions had on a contest for Sunday attendance. It was conducted on a high, friendly plane, with enthusiasm running high. The plan was for the one who lost to entertain the other union with a banquet. The Friendship Union won with a score of 148 and are to enjoy the fellowship and meal with the Summit Union soon. The Friendship Union has also recently completed a splendid study course, having cooperated in the simultaneous study course held in the association in March.

BACK UP YOUR ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTOR BY COOPERATING IN THE SPECIAL ASSOCIATIONAL MEETING NEXT WEEK, APRIL 24. CARRY A BUS LOAD FROM YOUR CHURCH.

Built in record-breaking time, the S. S. Wake Forest Victory, named for Wake Forest College (North Carolina Baptist College) was launched March 31, exactly 27 days after her keel was laid and four days faster than this type of ships ever had been built before.

The city commissioners of Dayton encountered Protestant opposition when they settled a Catholic parochial school water bill of \$28,720 for 35 cents on the dollar. The bill had accumulated over 22 years. Administrators of the parochial school claimed that in 1920, when Catholic Calvary cemetery officials sold four and one-half acres of land to the city for \$5,000, some city officer verbally agreed not to charge parochial schools for water. Public schools and institutions are obliged to pay their water bills.—Christian Century.

The recent War Production Board limitation order on the use of paper stock has affected drastically most all our Southern Baptist publications. The Tennessee, Kentucky, North Carolina, and Georgia papers have been forced to drop from 24 to 16 pages weekly; the Mississippi paper is publishing a frequent eight-page issue, and the Texas paper has drastically reduced its overall page format. The Alabama paper announces it will be forced to skip this week's issue. It all combines to give us more reason to hope for early victory and permanent peace.—Arkansas Baptist.

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Mississippi, America's State of Opportunity, published by the Mississippi State Board of Development is a book every Mississippian should have. It sets forth the facts to show that Mississippi is the Number One State of Opportunity. It contains a large number of pictures that emphasizes the various subjects.

AUBER J. WILDS State Secretary
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Sunday School Department

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary
MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary

Southwide Intermediate Day

There seems to be a bit of confusion as to the right date for Southwide Intermediate Day. Sunday, April 29, is the correct date. On this day the Baptist Hour will carry a brief message by Miss Mary Virginia Lee, superintendent of Intermediate Sunday school work, Baptist Sunday School Board, to Intermediates and workers with Intermediates, just before the special evangelistic sermon of the morning.

We hope that Intermediate leaders will make note of this date and plan to have as many of their Intermediates as possible listen to the Baptist Hour program that morning.

Standard Proves Its Worth

Does the Standard pay? Well, let's see.

In all Southern Baptist churches we have 80 enrolled in Sunday school for every 100 resident church members; whereas in churches that have Standard Sunday schools there are 118 enrolled for every 100 resident members.

Again, while in all Southern Baptist churches the ratio of baptisms to church members in 1944 was 1 to 27, the churches that had Standard Sunday schools reported a ratio of 1 to 16.

Of course, no one denies that vigorous, progressive and enthusiastic leadership had much to do with this difference in results, but the Standard program consistently followed enables schools to do a much better type of work.

Brother Superintendent, what say you about your school and this program?

Free Extension Literature

In these days of many absentees and lots of Sunday work, the Extension department of our schools is having its greatest opportunity ever. Many of these people who cannot get to Sunday school at that hour on Sunday can and will be members of our Extension departments. Every church needs this fine part of its Sunday school program in order to reach those who cannot come.

We shall be glad to mail all the free leaflets on the Extension department work to any person desiring information along this line. Many Baptist churches should organize Extension departments in their Sunday schools this year.

Branch Organizations

Richton church in Perry county, Rev. J. H. Cothen, pastor, is sponsoring two branch Sunday schools that have grown into good churches.

Vicksburg First church, Dr. D. Swan Haworth, pastor, is promoting two branch Sunday schools.

Gulfport First church, Dr. H. T. Brookshire, pastor, is sponsoring a branch Sunday school in West Gulfport and has already aided financially a new church near by.

Mrs. Myrtle McKnight, Cleveland, bears the good news of many people won to Christ, to His church and service through the agency of branch Sunday schools in Bolivar county, several of which have developed into churches, although begun in homes until a church house could be built.

These are but concrete illustrations

of the fact that many of our people now unreached can be reached through the agency of branch Sunday schools. We must go where the people are if we expect to help them. Many churches are promoting branch schools as definite part of their program. Many others should engage in this helpful extension ministry.

Vacation Bible Schools

Do you want a package of free Vacation Bible school literature for 1945? If so, write us and we shall be happy to mail it to you. Many have already requested this and we hope many others will. There are many helpful suggestions in a booklet contained in that package, as well as other items necessary for completing your Vacation Bible school this year.

Every year the Vacation Bible school proves its worth. It not only helps a half-million boys and girls in the South, but also teaches the next generation to be loyal to the Cooperative Program and our Baptist life. Thousands of pupils are won to Christ yearly and baptized as a result of these Vacation Bible schools. Thousands of boys and girls who attend no Sunday school are reached and their parents are often enlisted in Sunday school and won to Christ. Approximately 100,000 young people and adults, besides being on the faculty, are blessed themselves, trained for better Christian service, and many enlisted in Sunday school as teachers and officers. The number of mission schools is increasing and in them we have an open door to new Sunday schools and churches. Increasingly, white schools are helping Negro churches to have a school, which is a very fine way to improve race relations. Now is the time to plan definitely for that Vacation Bible school for this year. Don't forget the boys and girls.

April

April is always a Sunday school training course month. Many churches have had their schools already this year, some in April and some before, many others will have them during the remainder of this month, and some will have them even later. Of course, any time is a good time to train workers. April has been set apart as the month in the spring of the year for Sunday school training. There is power and strength through cooperative efforts.

Since 1945 is our Centennial Year, much emphasis is being given to the evangelistic books, and rightly so. We hope that many other churches yet will have a course in one of the books dealing with the fine art of soul-winning. Mr. Barnette's new book, "The Place of the Sunday School in Evangelism," is available and has already been used in many classes. We hope that many others yet will also take advantage of the opportunity of studying together the wonderful opportunities that a Sunday school has to win lost people to Christ. This study is always appropriate, and especially so this year because of the unusual emphasis being given to this important ministry.

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The Tiplersville church is on the Glory Roll of the Blue Mountain College Endowment Campaign.

Group Presidents



Extra-curricular group presidents at Blue Mountain College. Left to right: Grace Allen, Louisville, Euzelian; Wilma Stewart, Meadville, Modenian, and Jean Carnes, Shelby, Eunomian. Blue Mountain has no sororities.

MISSIONARY IS AVAILABLE

Hendon M. Harris, returned missionary from China, writes that he has already spoken more than 100 times during this Centennial Year and over 1200 times in 16 states since coming from China. Mrs. Harris has also spoken hundreds of times over the South.

Several associations throughout the state are having or have had schools of missions, in which missionaries from our Foreign, Home and State Mission Boards have participated. Rev. Harris believes that these weeks of information and inspiration help to make our people more missionary-minded.

Any person desiring information in regard to having these schools of missions may address the Rev. Harris at Box 233, Clinton, Miss.

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The Black Jack church, Yazoo county, Rev. A. A. Kitchings, pastor, is on Honor Roll No. 2 of the Blue Mountain College Endowment Campaign.



CLARKE COLLEGE BIBLE CERTIFICATE COURSE GREAT SUCCESS

"Study to show thyself approved unto God. . . . II Tim. 2:15

The Bible Study Certificate Course presented jointly by Mississippi Baptist State Missions and Clarke Memorial College, is recognized as one of the State Mission features of Mississippi Baptist work for the year 1945.

The real object in preacher training, whether in seminary or college, is that they may preach Christ more effectively, and may lead and train Christians more thoroughly. It is hoped by many that this has come to stay as a part of our annual program. Members included in the picture are: H. H. Crisman, Columbus; A. B. Jones, Sherman; S. F. Carlisle, Collins; L. R. Stokes, Columbus; E. C. Horton, Hernando; J. W. Nolen, Stewart; C. E. Snowden, Longview; B. S. Hilburn, Soso; C. T. Schmitz, Bruce; A. E. Lucas, Columbus; Burch Roan, Water Valley; B. U. Fields, Columbus; R. H. Daniels, Laurel; Ira Patterson, Columbus; C. B. Saucier, Basserville; H. E. Hollingsworth, Water Valley; W. T. Johnson, Basserville, and L. D. Sellers, Carrollton.

Other students were: O. V. Swearingen, Lake; J. V. Wilson, Belfontaine; L. W. Estes, Eupora; J. E. McCraw, McComb; J. C. Blass, Newton; W. L. Marsh, Columbus; E. M. Bilbo, Hattiesburg; Q. C. Barrett, Hattiesburg.

Instructors in this special course for four weeks were: John F. Carter, Louisville; Harold Douglas, Starkville; Kenneth G. Hall, Philadelphia; John I. Hill, Union; Bruce Hilburn, Soso; G. C. Hodge, Biloxi; Walter Johnson, Philadelphia; Martin V. McKinster, Newton; O. P. Moore, Moorhead; R. A. Morris, Newton; L. G. Sansing, Brandon; W. L. Sewell, Prentiss; B. Frank Smith, Magnolia; Wardell Valentine, Newton; C. C. Weaver, Noxapater and J. E. Wills, Newton.

Special speakers in the school were: J. N. Barnette, Nashville; Norman W. Cox, Meridian; A. L. Goodrich, Jackson; D. A. McCall, Jackson; Mrs. D. A. McCall, Jackson; Joe T. Odle, Crystal Springs; A. B. Pierce, Jackson; F. M. Powell, Tupelo; F. M. Purser, Oxford; Bryan Simmons, Laurel; R. A. Tullos, Greenwood.

These speakers and instructors gladly contributed their time without thought of personal remuneration. They have the heartfelt thanks of students and all Mississippi Baptists.

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BAYLOR HOSPITAL'S INFLUENCE WORLDWIDE
By Andrew Q. Allen
Business Manager, Baylor University Hospital
Former Elementary Secretary Baptist Sunday School Board

Baylor University Hospital in Dallas ranks among the first one hundred general hospitals in size in the entire United States. It is the twelfth largest church hospital in the nation, including an exclusive air-conditioned maternity unit, the Florence Nightingale Hospital. It has an A-1 rating with the American College of Surgeons. Patients come here from practically every state in the union.

Baylor established the world's first routine dried blood plasma center. Many a soldier boy will rise up in eternity to call Baptists blessed because we shared in the saving of the lives of so many of them in the present world conflict. Group hospitalization, which is known throughout the nation now as the Blue Cross Plan, originated in Baylor Hospital.

The founder of Baylor Hospital was Dr. George W. Truett, who raised the first money for the building of the institution. He was a member of the Board of Trustees from the very beginning until the time of his death. He loved the hospital next to his own church because of its far-reaching service to suffering humanity. It is fitting that this 400-bed hospital should be erected in the city he loved so devotedly and on the campus of the institution to which he gave so much of his energy and young life's blood.

Many churches, as well as individuals, are purchasing memorial rooms in this beautiful new building. The prices of these rooms range from \$1,800 to \$3,600 for the nicest rooms, with private baths. Plaques will be placed on the doors, indicating that the rooms were given as memorials to individuals so named, and those plaques will remain on the doors as long as the building stands.

Any one desiring detailed information concerning the plans for this memorial building, and especially concerning the memorial rooms, will be mailed a beautiful brochure setting out some of the details and the costs of the various memorials. Contributions, regardless of size, will be welcomed. Please address your communication to Andrew Q. Allen, Business Manager, Baylor University Hospital, Dallas, Texas.

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Lexington: We had a great meeting and we believe that our church was gloriously blessed. We had eight additions, five by baptism and four by letter. We did not have as great an ingathering as last year. We combed the town last year, receiving 23 on profession of faith. We had great crowds this year during each service. The interest was unusual. Dr. McKay stirred our souls with his dynamic messages. . Brother Sansing did a great job with the singing.—Homer W. Roberson, pastor.

We are in the midst of a revival with services daily at 10 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. Services will continue through April 25. We had 148 in Sunday school and 61 in Training Union on April 18. J. E. Henderson is our Sunday school superintendent and Miss Catherine Carter is director of the Training Union. We expect to have our church free of debt before the church year ends.—R. S. Crawford, pastor, Van Winkle church.

B.S.U. PRESIDENT



BETTY JANE HAMMETT

CALVARY WILL ENTERTAIN B. S. U. RETREAT

The B. S. U. State Spring Retreat to be held at Calvary church, Jackson, April 27-29 will be presided over by Miss Betty Jane Hammett of Belhaven College, state B. S. U. president. Mr. William Geren, city-wide B. S. U. secretary of New Orleans, will be the out-of-state speaker. Other speakers include Rev. W. Lowrey Compere, Rev. John Busby and Mrs. Charles Dean of Jackson, and Dr. John Newport of Clinton.

The theme of the retreat "Are Ye Able," will be featured at each of the five sessions. The first session begins Friday evening, April 27 at 7 o'clock; the Saturday sessions begin at 9 a. m., 2 p. m. and 6:30 p. m., and the retreat will close at noon on Sunday.

According to the plan adopted at the state conference last fall officers for the next year are to be elected at this time.

We regret that travel regulations have made it necessary to limit the number of delegates who do not live in Jackson. We are grateful, however, that prayer is not limited and we covet your prayers for the success of the retreat.

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STOGNER, SKINNER HONORED BY CHOCTAWS IN WHO'S WHO CONTEST

Clinton, April 7—The result of the student body election to determine Who's Who at Mississippi College has just been announced by Woodrow Clark, editor of The Freshman. Pictures of the eighteen students will appear in the 1945 Tribesman, the Mississippi College annual.

Mr. Mississippi College, Billie Stogner, Tylertown; Miss Mississippi College, Marie Skinner, Lexington; Mr. Personality, Dan Cameron, Meridian; Miss Personality, Lou Case, Canton; Most Attractive Girl, Dorothy Britt, Wesson; Most Handsome Boy, A/S Haywood Cates, Tallahassee, Fla.; Best Girl Athlete, Mary Willie Buckley, Newhebron; Best Boy Athlete, A/S Bob Anderson, Griggsville, Ill.; Most Capable, Ted Clark, East St. Louis; Most Promising, Woodrow Clark, Neshoba; Most Dynamic, R. L. Lee, Mobile, Ala.; Best Dressed Boy, Harold Kitchens, Clinton; Most Stylish Girl, Mary White Nelson, Clinton; Most Versatile, Ralph Beets, Prentiss; Most Influential, David Grant, Tupelo; Most Creative, Bob Touchstone, Meridian; Most Dignified, Tom Pfeifer, Hobson, Mo., and Most Intellectual, A/S James Jernigan, Tupelo.

Dr. Lee Speaks At Ministerial Banquet

Dr. R. G. Lee, pastor, Bellevue church, Memphis, Tenn., was the guest speaker at the annual Mississippi College Ministerial Association banquet, held in the Rose Room of the Heidelberg Hotel, Jackson, on the evening of March 27. He spoke on the subject "Influence." Decorations were in keeping with the Easter theme.

In addition to the ministerial students of Mississippi College and their wives there was a large representation from Clarke College, members of the Ministerial Board and several other friends present.

Robert Lee, president of the ministerial association, and his co-workers planned the program for the occasion. Dr. D. A. McCall, Executive Secretary of Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, was toastmaster. Other officers of the association are: David Grant, vice-president; Joe Causey, secretary; O. C. Chance, treasurer; Ralph Beets, reporter; Tom Ashby, chorister, and Miss Louise Shoemaker, pianist.

The Ministerial Association is indebted to Dr. McCall for his faithful service and sincere friendship in behalf of ministerial students. Especial gratitude is extended him for his gracious gesture in furnishing the plates for the banquet.

The following from Foster General Hospital furnished a musical program as a major part of the entertainment: Pfc. Julius Kovach, violinist; Cpl. Arthur Wilson, pianist; Pvt. Theron Miller, vocal soloist. Mrs. Ray Megginson played an accordion solo and the Mississippi College trio sang.

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TALBERT HELPS RECORD

Although Rev. C. E. Talbert strayed off to Virginia and West Virginia, he didn't forget his "raising." He recently came back to Mississippi as pastor at Marion. They had the EVERY FAMILY Plan.

A few weeks ago he accepted Arkadelphia church in connection with his Marion pastorate. One of his first acts was to suggest the EVERY FAMILY Plan and the church adopted it.

Lauderdale county's Record readers are listed as follows: MT. OLIVE 15, BETHANY 27, COLLINSVILLE 19, DALEVILLE 14, FELLOWSHIP 41, GOODWATER 13, HICKORY GROVE 12, HICKORY RIDGE 9, HIGHLAND 294, Hopewell 1, KEWANEE 13, LAUDERDALE 13, LIBERTY 19, MACEDONIA 19, MARION 23, MEEHAN 11, MIDWAY 18, FIFTEENTH AVENUE MERIDIAN 281, FIRST MERIDIAN 499, CAUSEYVILLE 44, ARKADELPHIA 30, Calvary 1, EIGHTH AVENUE MERIDIAN 78, FORTY-FIRST AVENUE MERIDIAN 238, MT. GILEAD 33, MT. NEBO 12, NEW HOPE 43, OAK GROVE 54, PINE GROVE 55, POPLAR SPRINGS DRIVE 117, RUSSELL 42, SOUTHSIDE MERIDIAN 159, TOOMSUBA 30, Union 1, Bonita 2, PROVIDENCE 20, HEBRON 39, NEW ZION 16, Center Grove 1.

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The Jones County Brotherhood Association meeting will be Friday, April 20, in the First church, Laurel. The meeting begins at 6:45 p. m., with fellowship and refreshments. Following the song service, devotional and business Rev. J. L. Sullivan will bring a message at 8 o'clock.—Brotherhood committee.

KNOW YOUR BIBLE
ANSWER QUESTIONS FOR TEACHER AND CLASS
DEPARTMENT OF CHURCHES, BAPTIST, UNITED METHODIST CHURCHES

(Answers on Page Fifteen)

1. In the Bible we find an unusual test of a slave's loyalty to his master. Do you know how the slave proved his permanent loyalty?

2. In Numbers 17:2, the Lord said, "Write every man's name on his rod." Aaron made a golden calf, and rebelled against his brother Moses. Aaron's rod has been named for many other purposes. Can you name them?

3. Of course most of us know the names of the three men cast into the fiery furnace, as Shadrac, Meshach and Abednego. What were their real names?

4. Trades and crafts as continued from April 5 issue. What craft or trade, one of the earliest in labor, prepared for wars? What others provided permanent employment for their trade?

Improvements Needed At Mississippi College

One of the greatest needs at Mississippi College and one of the most important items in the enlargement program is a dormitory for women. Plans for this have been accepted by the Board of Trustees, and when it is completed it will be commodious and modern, but of course it cannot be built before school opens next September.

In order to meet the immediate need, Jennings Hall, which was built in 1907, is being reconditioned and modernized for the temporary use of the young women till the dormitory can be built for them. A modern bathroom is being installed in each suite and other improvements will make Jennings like new. The boys will use the dormitories on the west end of the campus and the girls will use Jennings Hall on the east end of the Mississippi College campus and all of Hillman campus.

It is expected that the number of girls now in attendance will be more than doubled next session. Courses suited to needs of the girls are being planned. Home Economics, which was begun this session has become very popular and more courses are to be added. The music classes are growing and the music faculty will have to be enlarged. A complete physical education program for the girls, as well as the boys, is to be inaugurated and more art work will be offered.

Girls who are interested in getting one of the choice rooms which are now being prepared should act at once. A \$5 deposit reserves a place in the best room not already engaged.

M. P. L. BERRY.

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Burnsville church, Rev. R. E. Pate, pastor, is on Honor Roll No. 1 of the Blue Mountain College Endowment Campaign.

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A Gain Of 212 Since Last Report.

Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by Bracey Campbell

Lesson for April 22

FOUNDING THE CHOSEN NATION
Exodus 18-20; Numbers, Acts 7:17-44
Introduction.

The chosen nation. And for what purpose were these people a chosen people? They might conceivably have been chosen for any one of a hundred purposes, but they were chosen for the one purpose that they might be a holy nation, a nation set apart to the work of teaching the world the truth that there is one God besides whom there is none other, a nation set apart to give to the world its Redeemer.

Unto such a function was the nation established and according to the purpose of its divine Architect were all its foundations laid. The description of these foundations and the processes by which the good Lord laid them occupy so much of the word of the Lord that we cannot hope at all adequately to cover them. But the writer commends the three chapters (18-20) in Exodus and the passage (7:17-44) in Acts.

I. Suffering. Slavery.

They say that the German overlords are fearful these days that the slave laborers imported by them from their neighboring nations will rise against their German masters and oppressors soon and do a multitude of them to death. It was in this vein that the Egyptians came to fear the Israelites. Made slaves and subjected to every sort of indignity, the Hebrew slaves continued to multiply, until their Egyptian masters became fearful that there might be a servile insurrection in the land, or that, if the land should be invaded from without, the Hebrew slaves would join the invaders, sabotage the land and wreak vengeance upon their Egyptian masters for the wrongs suffered at their hands.

The book of Exodus is the story of the emigration of the Hebrew people from Egypt. It ranks among the great stories of the world, is the epic of one among the great migrations of all time.

II. Summons and Response.

Egypt has become the antagonist of God, flings down the gauge of battle, and God, through His chosen champion takes it up. Read the story of the combat between the gods of Egypt and the God of Israel. Here is war to the death, with victory as always with the people of God. Learn this lesson once and for all, when the battle's done, God's is the victory.

III. Red Sea Climax.

Here the Lord acted through a chosen leader. He usually does. Not all men can lead. That work calls for special qualities which only the chosen of God possess. Here God led His people through danger to safety. He always does. We always walk through the Valley of the Shadow of Death. It is the path of our daily treading. And when God's people, any people, would come out of sorrow and suffering, the way is beset with imminent danger. Here God brought His people through the sea by an interposition of His power. He always does. No power less than God's can deliver us from our foes. Here God

made the position of safety of the seashore a point of departure to new experience with Him. He always does. He never leaves His people to idle by the seashore, but leads them on to lands they have not known, to good lands and fair.

IV. From Seashore to Mountain Summit.

Murmurings and complainings! "No food!" The Lord gave manna. "Manna's too sweet!" "No water!" The Lord mended that. Up! Ye bearers of the stink-pots! Up! Ye wielders of the tar-brushes! Up! Ye hurlers of calumnies! Up and at the leader! Leg him from behind, stab him in the back with the sword of slander! Ambush him with a sloop battery! Bushwhack him with the yap of a yellow cur! But maintain a respectful distance, I pray you: your proximity would fling a polecat into convulsions!

Moses' father-in-law visits him, bringing his two sons and his wife. He sees Moses burdened with setail, and suggests a prayerful attitude for Moses and an organization for the judicial department of the government. So Moses got relief from petty causes in the magistrates courts.

V. Sinai.

It stands for the cloud and the sound of the trumpet and the voice of God, of the ascent of Moses till he stood in the awful presence, for the Law of the Ten Words, the proposal of God to take the people as a nation of priests and a holy nation, for the response of the people in acquiescence for the promise of God that He would be their God to teach and lead them, and for the response of the people that they were willing. Then God's assertion that they must recognize Him. This recognition must be intelligent, and to be so it must grow out of (a) Knowledge, (b) Faith, (c) Confession, by which is meant open taking of sides with Him.

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FOUNDATION RECEIPTS OVER \$50,000.00

Receipts of the Mississippi Baptist Foundation for our different institutions and agencies from January 1, to April 15, has totaled \$50,613.57. This amount includes \$15,000.00 in insurance and the rest was cash, or cashable securities. This does not include amounts written into wills by people over the state.

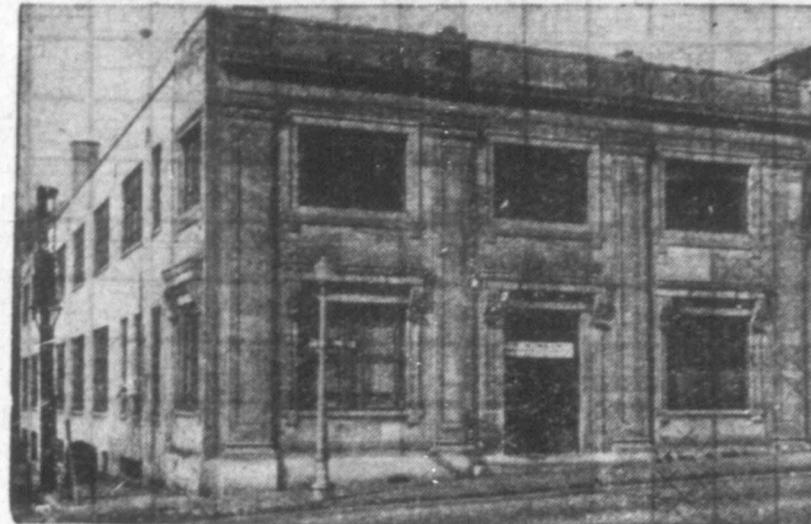
In view of the fact that very little work has been done outside the distribution of literature and speaking at various churches informing them about the work of the Foundation, this response is very encouraging indeed. The pastors and businessmen of the state have been very cooperative and seem enthusiastic over the possibilities of the Mississippi Baptist Foundation.

While money is plentiful, Mississippi Baptists should lay aside in trust funds some amount each month, so that when money is not so plentiful and interest rates increase we will be able to carry on our work without wrecking our program, or the necessity of borrowing money. The Mississippi Baptist Foundation is the Convention's approved agency for handling such trust funds. For further information write Executive-Secretary, Mississippi Baptist Foundation, Box 530, Jackson 105, Mississippi.

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The Mathiston church, Rev. D. M. Metts, Sr., pastor, is on Honor Roll No. 1 of the Blue Mountain College Endowment Campaign.

HOME BOARD BUYS HEADQUARTERS BUILDING



After occupying rented quarters for a hundred years, the Home Mission Board has purchased a headquarters office building in Atlanta as it enters its second century of service.

The two-story brick building is large enough to accommodate the Board's present headquarters force, and the construction is such that additional floors can be added later.

This building, which was purchased in March, is located on Spring street, twelve blocks from the financial center of Atlanta. It is in direct and quick connection with all hotels, bus terminals, and passenger depots.

for the success of the San Francisco conference."

Center Terrace church, Canton: We had fifteen additions during our revival. The preacher was Rev. Jim Smith. Since the meeting closed eight others have come by profession of faith.—Young Gerrard, pastor.

The Mississippi College Enlargement Program Includes

A Greatly Enlarged Student Body

With an attendance of 400 students, Mississippi College has accomplished results which are remarkable.

By increasing the attendance to 800, the results should be twice as great as in the past.

Present prospects indicate that the number of women students will be more than doubled next session.

Those who influence choice boys and girls to come to Clinton will win the gratitude of the students and will do Mississippi College a great favor. They will also show loyalty to the Baptist denomination and to the building up of the Kingdom interests in Mississippi.

Enter April 26, June 25, or September 1.

For literature, write Dr. D. M. Nelson, President.

MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE
Clinton, Mississippi

**SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING
UNION ATTENDANCE
April 15, 1945**

	SS BTU
Jackson, First	1,154 257
West Laurel	395 123
New Albany, First	424 114
Jackson, Northside	163 63
Jackson, Parkway	542 166
Jackson, Calvary	1,092 264
Daniel	138 54
Jackson, Griffith	627 281
Corinth, Pearl River County	57 35
Greenville, Second	196 86
Rocky Creek, George County	104 63
Luce Mission	29
Agricola	85
Cross Roads, Webster County	66
Pine Bluff, Clay County	19 8
Bethlehem, Jones County	64 38
Pascagoula, First	385 86
Taylorsville	136 70
Liberty Hill, Panola County	94 39
East McComb	289 118
Starkville, First	357 90
Crystal Springs	485 130
Brookhaven, First	434 127
Beaumont	74 37
Friendship, Pike County	182 131
Hepzibah, Jeff Davis County	49 95
Vicksburg, Bowmar Avenue	231 118
Enon, Panola County	61 71
Ellison Ridge, Winston County	146 126
Tecowa, Panola County	53 46
Crowder	171 104
Oldtown, Calhoun County	128 54
April 8, 1945	
Hattiesburg, Fifth Avenue	513 162
Van Winkle	148 61
Liberty Hill, Panola County	102 64
Harrisburg, Lee County	195 68
Agricola	88 33
Ackerman	161
Glenfield, Union County	58 40
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**KENTUCKY BAPTISTS PROTEST
USE OF RUGG TEXTBOOKS**

Frankfort, Ky.—(RNS)—Social science textbooks written by Harold O. Rugg, a storm center in Kentucky education circles for nearly ten years, have been eliminated from the state school system, the State Board of Education has announced.

The announcement was made after Baptists in Louisville revealed that they had formed a committee to protest readoption of the series.

Other church groups have made intermittent attacks on the textbooks since they were adopted in 1935—reflecting a reaction against texts which allegedly allowed the American conception of democracy to suffer in comparison with Russian communism.

The series never became mandatory as a course of study, and was used in



HOLMESVILLE ADOPTS EVERY FAMILY PLAN

One of the latest additions to the growing list of Baptist Record churches is Holmesville in Pike county. Rev. D. W. Nix, full time pastor at Friendship, preaches at Holmesville two afternoons each month. He has been pastor at Holmesville since November, 1944.

George Wingo has been elected chairman of the deacons, and T. E. Tate, secretary. In addition to The Baptist Record EVERY FAMILY Plan the church also adopted the United Budget System of church finance and set aside 10% of all offerings for the Cooperative Program. Plans are being made to remodel the church building and a fund for that purpose is being raised.

Record readers in Pike county are now listed as follows: Bluff Springs 8, BALA CHITTO 12, BOGUE CHITTO 15, Central McComb 6, EAST McCOMB 354, FERNWOOD 51, FRIENDSHIP 24, HOLMESVILLE 30, FIRST McCOMB 469, MAGNOLIA 119, Mt. Zion 3, OSYKA 86, Progress 3, SILVER CREEK 36, SOUTHSIDE McCOMB 97, SUMMIT 97, TANGIPAHOA 80, SILVER SPRINGS 55, THOMPSON 15, TERRY'S CREEK 69, UNION 40, JOHNSTON 29, Navilla 1.

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The Henleyfield Baptist Church, Pearl River county, has reorganized and changed their name to the New Henleyfield church.

only a few districts during its ten-year stay on the approved-text list.

Governor Bailey Issues Call To Prayer

Governor Thomas L. Bailey has issued a Call to Prayer in behalf of the success of the United Nations Conference to be held in San Francisco beginning April 25.

He is requesting the citizens of Mississippi to offer special prayers at all services on Sunday, April 22, and that they plan for special community wide mid-week meetings on the day the conference opens on Wednesday, April 25.

In this call the governor said:

"The success of this conference can offer reasonable hope for the development of a just and durable peace. We have pledged ourselves and our youth in the armed forces that we shall work toward a peace that shall be lasting. We believe that the wisdom for creating a general security organization and for perfecting plans for a permanent peace must come through man and from God."

"Therefore, I, Thomas L. Bailey, Governor of the State of Mississippi, do hereby issue a CALL TO PRAYER to all the citizens of Mississippi and do request them to meet in their respective places of worship and to offer special prayers to Almighty God on Sunday, April 22, 1945, and have special community mid-week services on Wednesday, April 25, 1945, for the San Francisco Conference of the United Nations and to pray God that in His infinite wisdom the delegates composing the conference may be given the ability to perfect an international organization and a world order based on freedom and justice under law."

GULFPORT HOST TO TRAINING UNION AND SUNDAY SCHOOL WORKERS

The Gulf Coast Associational B. T. U. and Sunday School Rally met in the First church, Gulfport, April 10, at 6:45 o'clock.

After supper Mrs. N. H. Eudaly conducted a round table discussion of problems which our churches face today: 1. What the B. T. U. can do to promote evangelism in our churches; 2. The use of the church library in soul winning; 3. How may the adults assist the Sunday school in promoting the Vacation Bible School?

There were thirty-three present with seven churches represented.

Special associational meetings were announced for April 24 at 7:30 p. m. and April 29 at 3 p. m. at First church Gulfport, the former to be our Centennial meeting. In the latter Chester Swor will be the guest speaker.

Rev. W. S. Allen brought the inspirational message of the evening. He urged us to (1) Stick to the job; (2) Put our best into our work; (3) Leave the results with the Lord. The meeting closed with prayer by Rev. W. T. Miller, pastor of the Handsboro Baptist Church.—Elizabeth Pickering, associational secretary.

Know Your Bible Answers

Feature on Page 12
1. (Slave's loyalty to master): Hebrew slaves who did not want to go free after seven years' toil, could accept permanency in their master's house, by having him thrust an awl through his ear into a wooden or stone pillar. This procedure was their sign of attachment to their master.

2. (Aaron's rod named for other purposes): An article used in architecture is as "Aaron's Rod." Also Aaron's Rod is known as the name of a plant, the common mullein plant. Other plants known as St. John's-wort, and thousands of these mother plants are often called "Aaron's beard."

3. (Real names of Shadrac, Meshach and Abednego): Shadrac's real name was Hananiah. Meshach's name was Mishel, and Abednego's was Azariah. (Read Daniel 1:6-7.)

4. (Trades and crafts, continued from April 5: Three more include smiths or metal-workers in iron, brass, copper and tin for use in war. (Second Samuel 12:31.) The workers in gold and silver (Genesis 24:53.) Moulding, wrought metal and soldering (Numbers 31:22). (Others will follow in later issues.)

ATTENTION MISSISSIPPI GIRLS!

---- ANOTHER REMINDER ----

The books open at Blue Mountain College early in May to receive room reservations for the next regular session that begins in September.

LAWRENCE T. LOWREY, President.

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BIBLE STUDY ON STEWARDSHIP

Book: *Philippians*
By A. B. Pierce

(Editor's Note: At the Aberdeen Stewardship Conference we heard Rev. A. B. Pierce speak on Stewardship. At our request he has sent an outline of what he said. Read it. It will help you.)

Introduction—

1. The church at Philippi was the first established on European soil. All work heretofore had been in Asia. The vision at Troas led Paul and Silas to go into Macedonia and preach.
2. Lydia and members of her household, the soothsaying woman, and the Philippian jailer were members of this church.
3. This letter to the church was in response to an offering sent to Paul while imprisoned at Rome.
4. The letter is not a treatise on stewardship, but some vital principles are taught somewhat indirectly.

Let Us Look At—

- I. The Minister's Attitude Toward His Work, the Church, and Material Stewardship:
 1. He prays earnestly and constantly for the church. Ch. 1:4-11.
 2. His greatest joy was preaching Christ. He rejoiced when even his enemies preached Christ. To Paul, life meant nothing but an opportunity to let Jesus live again in him. 1:12-18.
 3. Paul felt that he had a right to expect support from the church he had served. 4:10.
 4. Paul knew it was his responsibility to preach stewardship, but not selfishly. 2:19-21.
 - a. Churches do not exist to support preachers, but they are called of God to serve the churches.
 - b. No preacher is worthy of support from the church who puts his personal interests above that of the church. 4:11, 17.
 - c. Paul depended on God for his support, but he knew that God would use the churches to do it.
 5. Paul commanded this church for its liberality, and expressed his appreciation that they had co-operated with God to supply his needs. 4:14.

II. The Attitude of the Church Toward the Minister:

1. The church recognizes its responsibility to supply the material needs of its spiritual leaders. 4:16.
2. The giving was not a matter of charity, and the members did not think of paying the preacher out of their own pockets, but they brought it to the Lord's treasury, and out of the Lord's treasury the minister was to live. 4:17. This helps the minister to trust the Lord for his needs, and does not justify the church member holding back God's money from God's treasury because he does not like the preacher.
3. Their giving was regular and systematic—"once and again . . . from the beginning until now"—4:15, 16. The giving was not of compulsion, but freely and joyously.
4. There was a Co-operative Program. 1:5 (Weymouth's Translation) "I thank my God, I say, for your co-operation in the spread of the gospel." Also II Cor. 11:7-9.
5. Epaphroditus was the medium and means of delivering the of-

**FRANKLIN BELL****INDIAN STUDENT WINS BIBLE**

Franklin Bell, named for President Roosevelt, is twelve years of age, and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Bell, first Choctaw store manager in Mississippi. He lives in Neshoba county, seven miles west of Philadelphia. He became a Christian two years ago and is a member of Hope Baptist Church.

Last summer during the Vacation Bible school held at Pearl River Indian school by members of the First Baptist Church, Philadelphia, Franklin received a Bible because of the large number of friends he brought with him to the Bible school.

Young Bell is interested in music and he is taking piano lessons after school.

fering to the minister serving Christ in a foreign part. He did the work being done today by our mission boards. It is not reasonable that each church be responsible to get its offering to the missionaries, so our mission boards become the agency of getting our gifts to the right places. 2:25-30.

a. Epaphroditus was willing to hazard his life to render this service for Christ, the church, and the minister. This our board representatives do so often today, making many sacrifices we know nothing about.

b. They are to be prayed for and honored and not criticized by those whom they serve. 2:29, 30. 6. Gifts were made sacrificially. 4:18.

a. Gave beyond their ability, II Cor. 8:1-5.

b. They gave so liberally because they first gave their own selves unto the Lord. None of us has trouble giving sacrificially when we think more of the Lord and His work than we do of self.

III. God's Attitude Toward Supplying Material Needs of Ministers:

1. The church is God's medium of supply such needs, and not individuals. Paul's thanks did not go to individuals, but to the entire church at Philippi.
2. The love of Christ caused the church to be concerned about the material welfare of those who served Christ. 4:10, 16.
3. Paul tells the church that God is well pleased and honored when His servants are worthily cared for and their needs are abundantly met. 4:18.
4. Gifts made for the carrying on of His work are credited as an investment that will bring in dividends here and hereafter. 4:17.

WILLIAM A. MARTIN

William A. (Bill) Martin was born Feb. 5, 1921. His life was spent in Holmes county until October 9, 1943, when he was called into the service of his country. He was killed in action on December 18, 1944 somewhere in Belgium. He was given a military funeral by a Protestant chaplain and buried in Belgium.

Bill united with the Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church of Holmes county early in life and was a faithful member of that church until his death.

He was a devoted husband, son and brother.

To know him was to love him. He always met his friends with a smile. We know he was a good soldier as he was a good boy. God must have needed a good soldier, too, so He took "Our Bill."

He leaves a young wife, Mrs. Elizabeth Oakes Martin; his mother, Mrs. W. A. Martin, and one brother, Jack Martin, all of West, Miss., and a host of other relatives and friends to sorrow at his passing.

We have the consolation of knowing that this parting is not forever, for we will meet again some day.—A friend.

—BR—
MRS. E. T. JACOB

Mrs. E. T. (Ada Prince) Jacob was born in Hazlehurst, Miss., May 11, 1866, and passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. C. Stevens, in Clarksdale, Miss., January 23, 1945. On Christmas Day of 1884, she was married to Mr. E. T. Jacob, and she proved to him and to the home a Christmas gift indeed. Five children, three daughters and two sons, have grown to womanhood and manhood, and their lives are reflecting the frugality, integrity and Christian influence of this good couple. She was a help-mate indeed to her husband; a mother, tactful and devoted to her children; a friend, sympathetic and appreciative; to a large circle of acquaintances and a happy, trustful, active child of her heavenly Father.

Her husband preceded her by several years and now their bodies rest side by side in the cemetery of old White Oak Baptist Church in Copiah county, the church in whose membership she lived so many happy useful years.

The host of friends extend their sympathy to the three living sisters, five children, thirteen grandchildren and three great-grandchildren and commend them to the God who made her the wife, mother, sister, friend and Christian whose memory we cherish.

BRYAN SIMMONS.

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The First church, Washington, D. C., has a budget of \$100,000 for the year beginning May 1. Half of this amount is for future expansion at the conclusion of the war. Two additional buildings have been purchased at a cost of \$81,000. The new associate pastor is Rev. R. Edward Dowdy, who was formerly pastor of the Baptist church at Hollins, Va. Dr. Pruden, the pastor, is now serving his second year as president of the District of Columbia Convention.

There is no possible way to lose here.

5. Those who give sacrificially and for the glory of the Lord have the promise that all of their needs will be supplied. 4:19. This is not a promise to all Christians as usually expressed, but only to those who give liberally to His work. This is in keeping with the teaching of other Scriptures.

- a. Giving is not a bargaining matter with God.
- b. Yet the assurance from God is that when we give with the right spirit, He will not fail His children in their hours of need.

**WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THE ROBBER?**

Not very highly, I am sure. He is selfish, sordid, mean, and you can add any number of other dark adjectives to him and still be within the bounds of the truth. Public sentiment and the courts decreed that he should be severely punished, and that meets with our entire approval.

But suppose we change the scene a bit. Some 2,200 years ago, an old prophet of God brings a similar charge against his people and sustains it. However, instead of robbing another individual who had never done anything for them, they had the audacity to rob God, from whom all their blessings had flowed.

Of course they naturally resented so grave a charge. "Wherein have we robbed God?" they inquired. "In tithes and offerings," was the laconic reply. Because of that fact they were "cursed with a curse." Their crops were destroyed and their fruit failed to mature. Instead of gaining by withholding from God His tithe, they lost heavily. The prophet then exhorts them to come clean and bring all their tithes into the Lord's storehouse and blessings immeasurable would follow. (See Mal. 3:8-12.)

Suppose we bring this story up to date. It is just as true now as it ever was that God owns everything and everybody whom He created. "The earth is the Lord's, and the fulness thereof; the world and they that dwell therein" (Psalm 24:1). "And all the tithe of the land, whether of the seed of the land or of the fruit of the tree, is the Lord's: it is holy unto the Lord" (Lev. 27:30). If the tithe belongs to the Lord, to be used for His holy purpose, then it is not mine and I have no right to use it for personal purposes. To do so is to take what belongs to God and appropriate it to myself. Malachi's name for that was robbery. Not very pleasant is it? Am I guilty? Are you?

The Tithe

Abraham commenced it.
Jacob continued it.
Moses confirmed it.
Malachi commanded it.
Christ commanded it.

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The Rolling Fork church, Rev. Van H. Hardin, pastor, is on Honor Roll No. 1 of the Blue Mountain College Endowment Campaign.